



THE WEATHER

Light sea breezes. Fair and warm this afternoon with fog forming at sea tonight. Outlook for tomorrow: colder with some rain. Noon Temp: 74 deg. Humid: 69 p.c.

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Transports plunge into Rio bay after mid-air collision 105 DIE IN TWO AIR DISASTERS



WATER FROM CHINA?

THE biggest talking point of the Governor's annual review in the Legislative Council on Wednesday was the interest he expressed in a reservoir now being constructed on the Shumchun River by the Chinese Government. He was right to do so, even though there are risks in depending on large supplies of water from this source. Critics seem to forget that Hong Kong has been buying big quantities of food from the mainland in the postwar years. Surely there are equal dangers in relying on China for "these" — for Peking could cut off exports whenever it wanted to. But it is premature to criticise Government for investigating every possible way of augmenting supplies considering that consumption is rising as fast as the Colony's ability to build new reservoirs. It is not yet known how much water the Chinese can supply, or the price they are likely to ask, and it is doubtful if Government is looking for anything but temporary relief until Shek Pik and Plover Cove are completed. Until several important questions are answered therefore, it will be no more than an interesting proposal.

THE decision to press on with Plover Cove, and possibly a similar but smaller project at Hebe Haven, signifies that the imaginative but also highly expensive proposal to distill sea water, using a nuclear plant, has been pigeonholed. And whether it will ever be revived depends as much on the scientists' ability to design plant capable of assuaging Hong Kong's voracious thirst as upon the Colony's ability to afford it. At the moment it is estimated to cost \$900 million as against about \$350 million for Plover Cove. Clearly expenditure on this scale is out of the question as long as the Colony is budgeting for such heavy deficits. In the latest annual report, however, Government believes it is keeping abreast of the Colony's water needs. Says the report: "Forward planning does not lag behind the increases in population expected; although the supply of water will undoubtedly remain a difficult problem in the years ahead." Thus while Hong Kong has no grounds for complacency, the water situation is no worse than it has ever been.

WITH careful rationing of supply, average rainfall, no serious technical mishaps, and possibly some help from the new Chinese reservoir, Hong Kong should be able to get a sufficient minimum supply until its two new reservoirs come into operation at the end of this decade. Government is therefore to be commended for exploring every source of supply, even at the risk of incurring criticism from anti-Communist sections of the population, and many hope its initiative pays off.

Third plane crashes at Shannon killing 44

Shannon, Feb. 26. Hours after 61 people died in a mid-air collision over Rio de Janeiro, a big four-engined Italian airliner crashed on take-off here early this morning and 44 were reported killed and 15 injured.

Million dollar diamond robbery

New York, Feb. 25. Two young men robbed a shop in Phoenix, Arizona, of an estimated HK\$4 million to HK\$8 million in diamonds today. They entered the shop, tied up the clerk, Mrs Lorraine Breeding, and disappeared with the jewellery. Mrs Breeding said she thought the men were customers. They pulled out guns and ordered her to the rear of the store, where they bound her hands to a door. They apparently left through a back door and ran down an alley after scooping up the diamonds. Mrs Breeding was able to loosen her bonds and ran out to sound the alarm. Mr David Epstein, owner of the store, estimated the value of the stolen jewellery, but said he would be unable to determine the exact amount until an inventory was completed.—UPI.

UPROAR OVER BRITISH ARMY TESTS

London, Feb. 25. The British Army is to reinforce a ban on "initiative tests" which have called for soldiers kissing show girls, getting into nudist camps and obtaining autographed intimate articles of women's clothing. A Labour MP, Mr Norman Dods asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether such tests improved the efficiency of a soldier in battle. He wondered what sort of instructions had been given to commanding officers about the nature and scope of initiative tests. "What sort of enemy do these commanding officers visualise?" he asked to a roar of laughter. He suggested the officers should be "thoroughly examined by psychiatrists." Mr Hugh Fraser, Under-Secretary for War, said an Army Council instruction in 1956 forbade escapades of this kind. A reminder letter was sent to Commands last October.—China Mail Special.

Tyre puncture kills man

London, Feb. 25. A man was killed by a "wave blast of air" from a bursting tyre, an inquest was told here. A verdict of accidental death was passed on 19-year-old John Bartlett who was watching another man inflate the tyre when it burst. Dr David Bowen, pathologist, said the severe internal injuries which caused death appeared to have been caused by a "wave blast of air" transmitted to the internal organs.—China Mail Special.

The Italian airliner which belonged to Alitalia, was said to be on its way from Rome to the United States.

First reports said all aboard the big DC-7 airliner were killed, but later figures reported that 15 were critically hurt but still alive.

The only known eye-witness, a priest, said the plane struck the wall of a cemetery near the airport and its wheels were shorn off.

Ten million pieces

The airliner, which had taken on a full load of 7,000 gallons of petrol, blew into "10 million pieces," said Fr. Charles Comerford.

Bodies were scattered across a 300-yard area in the Irish coastal marshland.

Firemen fought more than an hour to douse the 50-foot high flames that roared up from the aircraft's tail assembly. The tail section was the only large portion left of the airliner.

A farmer, Michael Casey, said, "The whole hillside seemed aflame. All around came frightening, frightening moans. The dead were flung all about."

The weather was said to be clear when the accident occurred.—UPI.

Rio death toll stands at 61

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 26. A U.S. Navy transport bringing a band to play for President Eisenhower and his guests collided with a Brazilian airliner a mile over Rio's bay today, plunging both planes into the water and killing 61 people.

The victims included 35 American navy men, including bandmen personally known to the President and Mrs Eisenhower, and 26 Brazilians. There were three known survivors, all navy men. They were in good condition.

Overcast

The Navy DC-8 transport on a one-hour flight from Sao Paulo and the Brazilian Real Airlines DC-3 twin-engine transport on a trip from Santos, 200 miles southwest of here, collided while circling through overcast and drizzle at Santos Dumont airport in Rio proper. Within moments the planes had fallen into the sea.

President Eisenhower cancelled social functions tonight in shock and sorrow over the collision.

The President and his host, President Juscelino Kubitschek of Brazil, formally expressed "deepest regret" and hastened to the hospital in Rio to comfort the three known survivors.

The two Presidents learned of the tragedy as they were ending a six-hour visit to Sao Paulo.

Search ordered

Mr Eisenhower personally ordered an intensive search for more possible survivors.

He cancelled a reception for U.S. Embassy staff members and their families this afternoon and also a big reception for 700 people at the Embassy.

The Navy band was to have played at the reception.

The President decided to go ahead with a dinner he was scheduled to give for Dr Kubitschek and other officials. It was ordered kept small and private.

The White House press secretary, Mr James C. Hagerty, said Mr Eisenhower "feels terrible" about this tragic accident, particularly since he knew the band members personally.

But, Mr Hagerty said, the disaster would not affect the rest of the tour. Mr Eisenhower will go to Buenos Aires on Friday.—UPI.

DIES FROM ACCIDENT AT 104

Dorking, Feb. 25. Mrs Agnes Roper, who would have been 104 next month, died yesterday after being involved in a minor motor accident.

She was sister of the late Lord Lugard, former Governor of Hong Kong in the early years of this century.

Although deaf and blind, Mrs Roper enjoyed drives into the countryside. A friend drove her yesterday and on the way home the car was involved in a slight collision.

Mrs Roper, who appeared to be shocked by the jolt, was taken to hospital and found to be dead.—China Mail Special.

Sir Frederick Lugard was Governor from July 1907 to July 1912.

Enforced 'holiday'

Nice, Feb. 25. About 1,000 East European political refugees in France will be given an enforced "holiday" in Corsica as a security measure during the visit of Mr Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet Prime Minister, from March 15 to 20, according to usually well-informed sources here.

Hotel-keepers in Corsica were reported to be "not displeased" to be "not displaced."

Airport fees

Regulations increasing landing fees at the Kai Tak Airport were published in today's Government Gazette. They come into operation on April 1.

Three wheels stolen from one car

Three complete wheels, to a total value of \$240, were removed and stolen from a car parked on the Central Reclamation early yesterday morning. At about the same time, thieves removed and stole the wheel of another car parked in the same locality.

Playing fields of Eton desecrated

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London, Feb. 25. The playing fields of Eton have been desecrated—by two coalmen.

These playing fields are the central legend of Eton Public School, near Windsor Castle. The Duke of Wellington said the Battle of Waterloo was won on them. Prime Minister Harold Macmillan once drove cricket balls over their green sward.

The boys of Eton are forbidden to even walk there without permission and are caned or fined if they trespass on the spot.

SACRED GROUND

But the Daily Mail today describes how two coalmen, Frank Parkin, 36, and his mate, Peter Francis, drove their lorry on to the sacred ground.

The discovery of the lorry tracks on the hallowed turf seems to have horrified Eton's housemasters and groundsmen.

Coalmen Parkin and Francis drove their lorry on the field because they could not manoeuvre it out of an Eton yard after delivering 30 bags of coals.

Coalman Parkin is quoted as saying: "I thought there would be a fuss. Still, I reckon our wheel marks won't do any harm. The field is very muddy. The marks will help to irrigate it."

'BLOOMING FUSS'

Coolman Francis: "I've seen better ground than that in back gardens. What a blooming fuss. We've only been coalmen for a fortnight."

Mr C. E. D. Chamier, housemaster of Wootton House, where the lorry tracks were found, said: "I am shocked. The boys of Eton are forbidden to even walk there without permission and are caned or fined if they trespass on the spot."

Mr Chamier said: "We shall forgive them. Obviously they did not know the secret of getting the lorry into the yard."

Meanwhile the two coalmen have decided to quit their trade. "Never again," said Parkin. "We were never cut out to be good coalmen."—China Mail Special.

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Israel accuses UAR of warlike threats

United Nations, Feb. 25. Israel tonight accused President Nasser's United Arab Republic of building up a campaign of "open incitement to war" against her, and said that warlike threats, coupled with big military preparations in Egypt and Syria, had reached "dangerous dimensions."

In a letter to Sir Pierson Dixon of Britain, President of the Security Council, Israel said that if the area was to be calmed, the UAR "must abandon its policy of active hostility against Israel."

The warning—which asked for no other immediate action by the council except circulation of the letter—was made against a background of reports of a big Egyptian military build-up in northern Sinai and a further warning from President Nasser about Western "interference."

Mrs Golda Meir, Israeli Foreign Minister, was meeting Britain's Ambassador to Israel, Sir Patrick Hankey, tonight. One of four urgent meetings she has requested with the British, French, U.S. and Soviet Ambassadors tonight and tomorrow.

She has asked for the meeting to discuss the Sinai and Syria-Israel border build-up of Egyptian troops, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said in Tel Aviv.

Build-up

This build-up was reported in Israeli newspapers today to involve the movement of two divisions into Sinai from the Suez Canal area—the biggest military move since the 1956 Suez crisis.

One of the divisions was armed, the other infantry, and both had Soviet-made equipment, the reports said. Usually reliable Israeli sources added that Egyptian infantry had moved into the Gaza Strip between Egypt and Israel for the first time since the 1957 Israeli withdrawal.

Nasser's speech

President Nasser, in a speech at Dera, Syria, said any "interference" by Britain, France or the U.S. under the 1950 tripartite guarantee of Middle East status would be crushed.

He attacked the guarantee as favouring Israel and said "we are building our homeland with one hand and carrying arms with the other to defend our homeland, nationalism and Arabism."—Reuter.

HK factories

Factories and industrial undertakings registered by the Labour Department at the end of January numbered 3,000, according to statistics published in the Government Gazette today.

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WEEKLY REPORT ON THE HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Market gets over Budget scare

Makes grand recovery from mid-week losses

The market recovered yesterday when it became evident that Government had not considered raising income or corporation taxes in its bid to meet the budget deficit expected at the end of the 1960-61 financial year.

For three days prior to Mr. Clarke's Budget Speech the market had been hesitant and an uneasy feeling prevailed that Government was about to drop a tax "bombshell" on our heads.

This in fact did happen. But in a totally different form than expected. Tobacco and petrol tax increase and not, as everybody dreaded, an increase in income and corporation tax.

This put the market back on its feet once more and the boom was on again.

The main feature of the past two weeks has been the con-

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

Ordinary Yearly General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, 1, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on Friday, the 11th day of March, 1960, at Noon for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be closed from Friday, the 26th day of February to Friday, the 11th day of March, 1960, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,
MICHAEL W. TURNER,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 26th Jan., 1960.

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Sixty-seventh Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held on Thursday, the 10th day of March, 1960, at 11 a.m. at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, for the transaction of an Ordinary General Meeting including the following:-

- (1) To receive and consider the Reports of the Directors and of the Auditors, and the Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December 1959; and the Balance Sheet as at that date.
- (2) To approve the Dividend.
- (3) To elect Directors.
- (4) To appoint Auditors.

The Register of Members will be closed from Saturday, the 27th of February, to Thursday, the 10th of March, 1960, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. H. FELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th Feb., 1960.

★ The share market at a glance ★

	Jan. 27	Feb. 4	Feb. 11	Feb. 18	Feb. 25	Up or Down	Dividend & Bonus	Yield(%)
HK Bank	1205	1195	1210	1315	1310	-\$5	\$40	3.0
Lombard	305 1/2	405	415	425	445	+\$1.25	\$2	4.5
Union	95 1/2	95 1/2	95	95 1/2	102	+\$7.50	\$2.40	3.5
Wheelock	6.10	6 1/4	6.05	6.90	6.90	steady	25c	3.5
HK Wharf	145	150	152 1/2	170	171	+\$1	\$5	4.3
HK Docks	43	42	42 1/2	43 1/2	43	-\$10c	\$2.80	6.6
Talkies Docks	18	18	18.50	19 1/2	19.30	+\$10c	\$1.10	5.4
Provident	35 1/2	38	38	38 1/2	38 1/2	steady	\$2.00	5.7
HK Hotels	45	45	45 1/2	48 1/2	49	+\$10c	\$2.40	4.7
HK Lands	1.575	1.575	1.65	1.70	1.675	-\$25c	15c	9.0
HK Realty	33 1/2	33 1/2	33	33 1/2	33 1/2	+\$25c	\$3.05	6
Star Ferry	147 1/2	145 1/2	148	151 1/2	144 1/2	-\$7	\$9	6.2
Yanmaia	135	133	135	145	140	-\$10	\$8	5.4
Ch Light	19	18.00	19.10	20.00	20 1/2	+\$10c	\$1.10	5.2
Electric (old)	24.70	24.20	24.80	25.30	25.20	-\$10c	\$1.00	7.2
Electric (new)	23.30	22.90	23.40	23.50	23.50	steady	\$1.75	5
HK Telephone	33 1/2	33 1/2	34	35 1/2	35 1/2	+\$10c	\$4	5.6
C. I. Cement	44	44 1/2	44 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2	steady	\$1.55	6.4
Dairy Farm	24.00	24.00	24.30	24.80	24 1/2	+\$1.40	\$1.50	6.4
A. S. Watson	23.40	24.70	24.60	23.70	25.10	+\$1.40	\$1.50	6.4
Lane, Crawford	25 1/2	29.40	29 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	+\$10c	10c	8.9
Int'l Investment	6.05	6.10	6.15	6.60	6.40	-\$20c	25c	3.8
Allied	15.00	14.20	14 1/2	15	15.20	+\$20c	90c	6
Textile Corp	9.65	9.80	10.10	10.30	9.90	-\$40c	65c	0.4
Nanyang	14.90	15.30	15.70	16.20	15.60	-\$60c	70c	4.4

New York Stock Market

New York, Feb. 25.
Stocks rose sharply across the board today on increased volume.

However, many brokers saw the rise as only temporary following the preceding two declining sessions. They said the list will have to make a closer test of the mid-February low before another rally could get underway.

Gains ranged to more than five points in Polaroid. Revlon jumped about four, Gillette around three, and Kimberly Clark, Johnson & Johnson, and Smith-Corona about two each.

Republic Steel set the pace for the steel, rising around a point as the company forecast record earnings and production for 1960. Jones and Laughlin added around two and U.S. Steel and Youngstown around one.

Motors featured a three point gain in White Motors and more than a point in American Motors. General Time rose more than four in a good electronics session.

Today's volume was 3,600,000 shares.
Of a total 1,183 issues traded, 573 were higher and 408 lower.
American exchange volume was 1,000,000 shares.
Total volume amounted to \$5,550,000.

Yesterday's Closing COMMODITY PRICES

METALS		SUGAR	
Closing prices, all in cents per lb.		Closing prices, all in cents per lb.	
NEW YORK		NEW YORK	
Lead	11.00	Contract No. 4 (world)	2.97
Zinc	11.12	Contract No. 5 (world)	2.97
Copper	11.43	Contract No. 6 (domestic)	2.97
		Contract No. 7 (domestic)	2.97
		Contract No. 8 (domestic)	2.97

LONDON		SINGAPORE	
Closing prices, all in sterling per long ton.		Closing prices, all in Straits cents per lb. f.o.b. Malayan ports.	
Tin	769 1/2	No. 1 Mar.	117 1/2
Copper	769 1/2	No. 2 Mar.	117 1/2
Spot	23 1/2	No. 3 Mar.	117 1/2
3-month	24 1/2	No. 4 Mar.	117 1/2
6-month	24 1/2	No. 5 Mar.	117 1/2
12-month	24 1/2	No. 6 Mar.	117 1/2
		No. 7 Mar.	117 1/2
		No. 8 Mar.	117 1/2
		No. 9 Mar.	117 1/2
		No. 10 Mar.	117 1/2
		No. 11 Mar.	117 1/2
		No. 12 Mar.	117 1/2

NEW YORK		LONDON	
Closing prices, all in cents per lb.		Closing prices, all in pence per lb.	
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		No. 7 Mar.	34 1/2
		No. 8 Mar.	34 1/2
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British bank move to stop inflation

London, Feb. 25.
British authorities have taken their firmest disinflationary action since the seven per cent bank rate of September 1957 by allowing the gilt-edged market to find its own level.

A tightening of bank liquidity, to check the expansion of bank loans, has been coming for months in many parts of the world. In Britain it has come at the time that was to be expected, when the banks are under the most and pressure of tax collections.

In Britain, as elsewhere, the boom has been partly financed by massive sales of gilt-edged by the banks. They sold a large part of their investments in Government bonds to raise the money to expand their loans.

The difficulty and reluctance of the banks in selling more Government bonds on a bad market has all along promised to be the main restraint on inflationary expansion this year.

In Britain and other countries the banks have already raised, and lent, the money they could get in the easy way. Now they have fewer (and longer-term) bonds left to sell, and a bad market in which to sell them, so they are likely to restrict their advances.

The Bank of England has not refrained from studying the disinflationary policy by holding them out. It buys and sells to smooth out price fluctuations. When such smoothing purchases become inflationary support of the market against heavy selling by the banks, it pulls out.

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Share prices slumped steeply as business began. They recovered significantly by midday, but toward the close of business started to slip off again.

On the whole closing prices were higher than the low points during the morning.

Dollar stocks were marked down in response to the continued uneasiness on Wall Street, dragging gold, copper and oil shares down with them.

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OPERATION 'FISHNET'

Two aircraft carriers join the fishing fleet

By FREDERICK ELLIS

REVOLUTIONARY plans to bring sea-fresh fish to the tables of British housewives are being worked out in the City. Two aircraft carriers, the 13,000-tonners Ocean and Theseus, and the 16,000-ton repair ship Ran-pura have been bought from the Admiralty to put Operation "Fishnet" in being.

They will act as mother factory ships to fleets of deep-sea trawlers out on the fishing grounds. (H.M.S. Theseus visited Hong-kong on several occasions during the Korean War in which she took on active part). The trawlers will land their catch into the mother ships, which will be equipped as factories to deep freeze and package the fish ready for the shops.

Master mind behind the plan is 64-year-old Harry Platt, chief of Lambert and Benda, ship-brokers and managers on the Baltic Exchange.

He is being backed by City merchant bankers, who are putting up the money to buy the war veterans and convert them into factory ships.

More than £2,500,000 is being put up for Platt's fish plan.

Talks have been going on for some months with the British Federation of Trawler Owners. It is hoped that the big trawler group—like Bess of Grimaby, Salween of Leth, and Bostons of Fleetwood, will co-operate in the scheme.

Mr Platt told me of his plan: "Fish now landed is not in first-class condition, for it takes a trawler 24 days to get back to port.

"Our factory ships on the fishing grounds will process the fish within 48 hours."

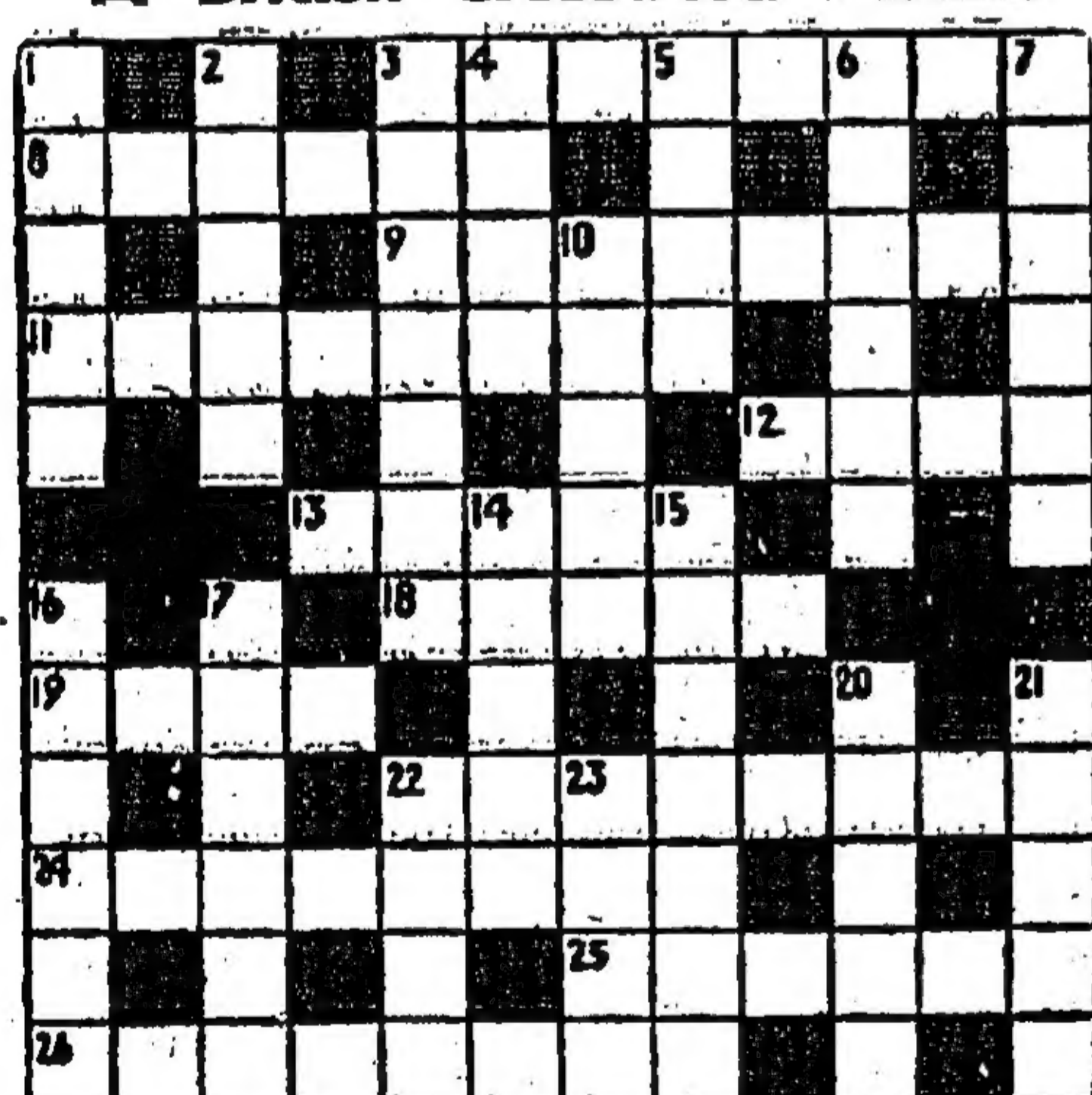
ECONOMIES

It will allow the trawlers to remain on the fishing grounds for longer periods.

For the mother ships will also refuse the trawlers.

This will bring big economies for the trawler owners—and talks are on with the trawler-men's union on pay and conditions, which will include shore amenities on the mother ships for the fishermen.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Art's back what, in a boater? (5, 3)
- 8 Relate in a way in Ireland. (6)
- 9 An eye for an eye. (8)
- 11 Fun and games of bygone days? (8)
- 12 Give up part of an office desk. (4)
- 13 Sit on the throne. (5)
- 14 Apologies word. (5)
- 15 Work hard at a snare. (4)
- 16 Roping a girl who's going headless? (8)
- 18 Snakes in the grass? (8)
- 20 School of material weight. (8)
- 21 The fool's demand, sometimes followed by a fist! (4, 4)

DOWN

- 1 Taken by these on foot. (5)
- 2 Break. (5)
- 3 Old railway has evidence of debt that's grave. (7)
- 4 Abound. (4)
- 5 Ventilates in repair shops. (4)
- 6 How a goose gives the bird? (6)
- 7 Cultivator in a boat. (8)
- 10 The chap who's likely to give out? (5)
- 14 See, California has a British-style pub. (9)
- 15 Theatrical sideboard. (7)
- 16 Stiffener. (6)
- 17 Ribston possibly. (6)
- 20 Not the box wherein calves keep their shanties. (5)
- 21 He'll do for you, as it were! (5)
- 22 Boiling-place. (4)
- 23 Recs turns yellow. (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Anti-cab, 7 Lying, 8 Tidance, 10 Career, 13 Traders, 15 (w)Ante(d), 17 Underway, 19 Concise, 20 Unit, 21 Hairsd, 23 Keenly, 27 Surprise, 28 Dylan, 29 Secretes, Down: 1 Elect, 2 Lib-R.A., 3 Agree, 4 C.O.D., 5 Banana, 6 Eleven, 9 Thrush, 11 (p)Arbitrator, 12 Edict, 14 Sneaks, 15 A-Rose, 16 Twirl, 18 Curres, 19 Nitric, 22 Needs, 23 Angle, 24 Dying, 25 Tree.



THE CARRIERS THESEUS



AND OCEAN

The operation will run like the whaling fleet—except that they will be whaling for whiting!

The mother ships, after conversion into factories, will carry a crew and factory hands of about 425 each.

Says Mr Platt: "It will mean that the housewife will be able to buy 100 per cent fresh fish from our factory ships."

Jovial and youthful Mr Platt, a member of the Baltic Exchange, started in the City as an office boy.

During the first war he was a rifleman with the London Irish and in the last war he volunteered for the Navy over age—

and became a lieutenant-commander. Some of the leading names in the package fish business like MacFisheries and Birds Eye and Finlay are interested in the Platt plan.—London Express Service.

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British pressmen defend reports on Blantyre

Blantyre, Feb. 25.

Crowds in Trafalgar Square, London, would have resented much more quickly some of the action that took place in the course of a demonstration during Mr Harold Macmillan's visit to Nyasaland, an inquiry was told here today.

New Prince unlike Anne or Charles

London, Feb. 25. The son born to the Queen last Friday is "quite unlike" either Prince Charles or Princess Anne when they were babies.

That is the opinion of the proud father, Prince Philip, according to Senora Prado, wife of the President of Peru in an interview with a London Daily Telegraph woman reporter today.

And father also finds the new Royal baby "charges every day" said Senora Prado, who yesterday dined with the Duchess of Kent at Kensington Palace where Prince Philip was also a guest.—China Mail Special.

Mr George Clay, correspondent of the London Sunday newspaper, The Observer, said this in evidence before the Southworth inquiry into police handling of the demonstration, which occurred last month outside a local hotel where the British Prime Minister was to have luncheon.

Mr Clay, the third journalist for London newspapers to give evidence—the others were Mr Stanley Bonnet of the Daily Mail and Mr Stephen Barber of the News Chronicle—said one police officer appeared to be singling out the most troublesome demonstrators and trying to subdue them by rough but "not brutal" methods.

He had been told this particular officer was an assistant superintendent in charge of Blantyre Police station, and was later told his name was Limb.

JABBING

Mr Clay told of seeing this officer jabbing indiscriminately at the crowd with his swagger stick while walking up and down inside a police cordon. He had also been kicking and hacking at the feet of demonstrators with the side of his shoe.

He said a police inspector tore down political banners carried by demonstrators and described this as foolish. The action of a man whom he took to be a police officer in plain clothes taking photographs of the demonstrators was also foolish, he said.

The man several times told policemen to hold demonstrators while he photographed them, he added.

Mr Clay said he mentioned this particularly because of a press statement by Mr Alan Dixon and Mr Michael Blackwood, two members of the Nyasaland Legislative Council, in which they said press photographers had been encouraging demonstrators in order to obtain good pictures.

Acquitted

Denver, Feb. 25. A superior court jury yesterday acquitted Lowell Sell, 35, although the window washer admitted carrying a loaded, concealed pistol during an argument with union officials.

The pearl-handled gun taken from Sell was in a fully loaded water pistol.—UPI.

Gravity filters

Government is to build new rapid gravity filters, with a capacity of 8,000,000 gallons a day, to cope with the increased building development in the Aberdeen district.

2 MORE DIE IN CEYLON FLOODS

Columbo, Feb. 25.

Two more deaths were reported today from the flood-stricken areas in the Eastern province of Ceylon.

A village cultivation officer attached to the Gal Oya valley scheme lost his life while attempting to rescue a labourer in distress in a swollen stream. Both were drowned.

This brings the death toll in the floods to four. Weather conditions in the Eastern province improved today. Flood waters there are slowly subsiding, but in the north central province the situation was slightly worse owing to overnight rain.

In Batticaloa district, 3,000 families are reported to be homeless while waiting troops of paddy ready for harvesting have been destroyed. Damage has yet to be assessed.—Reuter.

The Queen replies to K's message

Moscow, Feb. 25. The Queen has sent a telegram to Mr Nikita Khrushchev thanking him for his congratulations on the occasion of the birth of her son, Tass said today.

The Soviet Prime Minister in his telegram wished the Queen, her husband and her family good health and happiness, and to the people of Great Britain a peaceful life, wellbeing and prosperity, Tass said.

"The great love of children, which we all have, fills us with the ardent wish to make it possible for children everywhere to grow up in joy without ever knowing the horrors of war," he said.

He expressed the hope that through the joint efforts of states all obstacles would be overcome on the road to a durable peace and universal prosperity and a peaceful and happy life on earth.—Reuter.

Left behind

Seoul, Feb. 25. A commuter train left Seoul's Central Station one morning this week without a single passenger. The ticket collector, harassed by rush hour crowds, forgot 270 passengers waiting inside the station and did not open the gate to the loading platform until after the spillover scheduled train had left.—UPI.

Sit-down strike

London, Feb. 25. The 300 women employees of the K.L.G. spark plug plant yesterday began a two-hour sit-down strike to focus attention on their demand for a wage increase.

The spark plug makers sat and sewed during the strike.—UPI.

Royalty for India

Brussels, Feb. 25. King Leopold, Princess Lilian and Princess Marie-Gabrielle of Savoy left by air today for Bombay via Cairo for a three-week stay in India. The royal party will visit the Belgian-sponsored Pambanashan Leprosarium during their stay in India.—AP.

Police lied on witness stand Van Rie says

Boston, Feb. 25.

Dutch wireless operator Willem Van Rie today accused police of lying on the witness stand at his trial for the murder of 23-year-old Lynn Kauffman.

At the same time, the 31-year-old seafarer hinted for the first time at animosity between him and a woman travelling companion of the slain Lynn Kauffman, 23. Van Rie calmly admitted "seven or eight" intimacies with the 65-pound Chicago divorcee he is accused of slaying on the last leg of a trip from Singapore to New York.

Under withering cross-examination he admitted he told police Mrs Judith Specter, wife of Miss Kauffman's employer, might have "kissed" her daughter and a Chinese boy to testify against him.

But the line of questioning was cut off by a court adjournment of the 12th day of the trial before an all-male jury.—UPI.

Britain's nuclear strategy criticised

London, Feb. 25.

The Parliamentary Labour opposition tonight tabled a resolution criticising what it described as "the vacillations and confusions of the Government's nuclear strategy."

Its move took the form of an amendment to a Government motion approving the policy set out in this year's defence White Paper, which is to be debated next Monday and Tuesday in the House of Commons.

The amendment had been put forward by the member of Mr Hugh Gaitskell, Mr Aneurin Bevan and other Labour leaders.

While recognising the need for an adequate policy for collective defence and security, it expresses "no confidence" in the Government's defence policy "which since 1951, has cost more than £12,500,000,000."—Reuter.

Sales boom

London, Feb. 25.

Alarm clock sales are booming in South Wales, according to the National Jewellers Association.

The association credited Welsh mine companies with spurring the rash for bedside time pieces. The mines have ceased the old practice of sounding early morning work whistles.—UPI.

Bangkok, Feb. 25.

Princess Mother, Princess Srisavangwan was sworn in as Regent today to act for his Majesty King Phumiphon Aduldej during his tour of Burma scheduled to begin next Wednesday for three days.—UPI.



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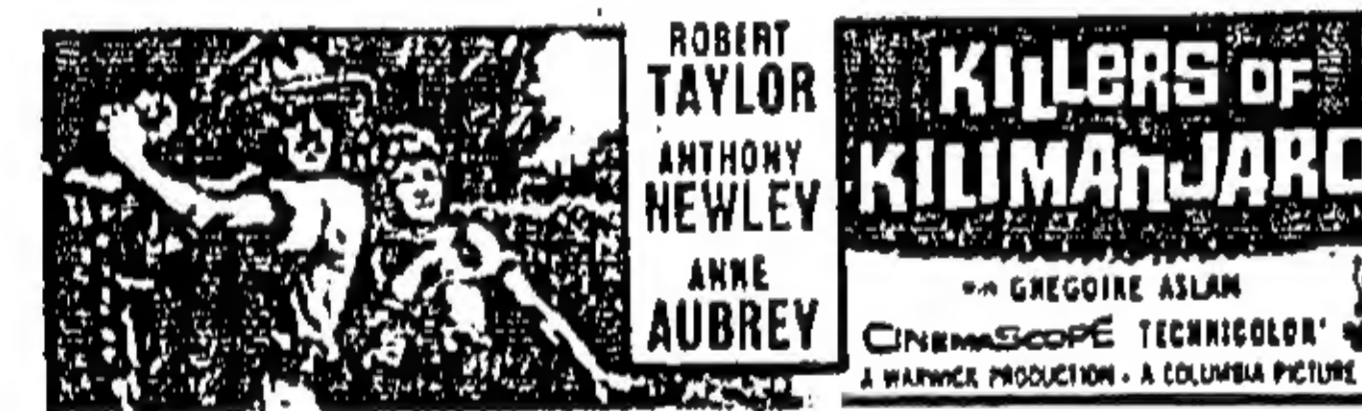
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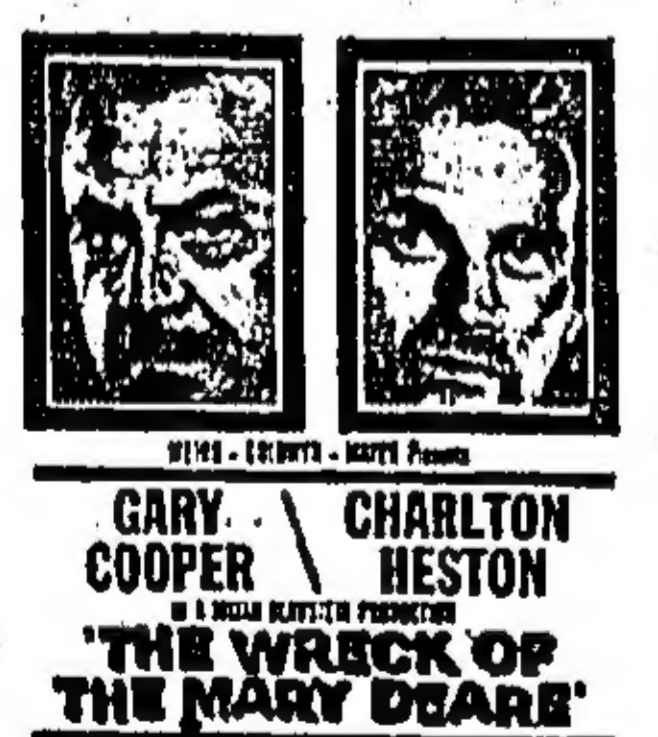
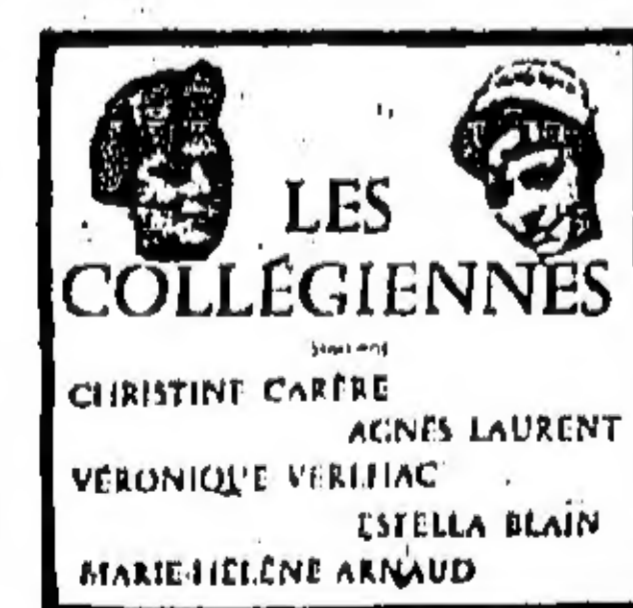
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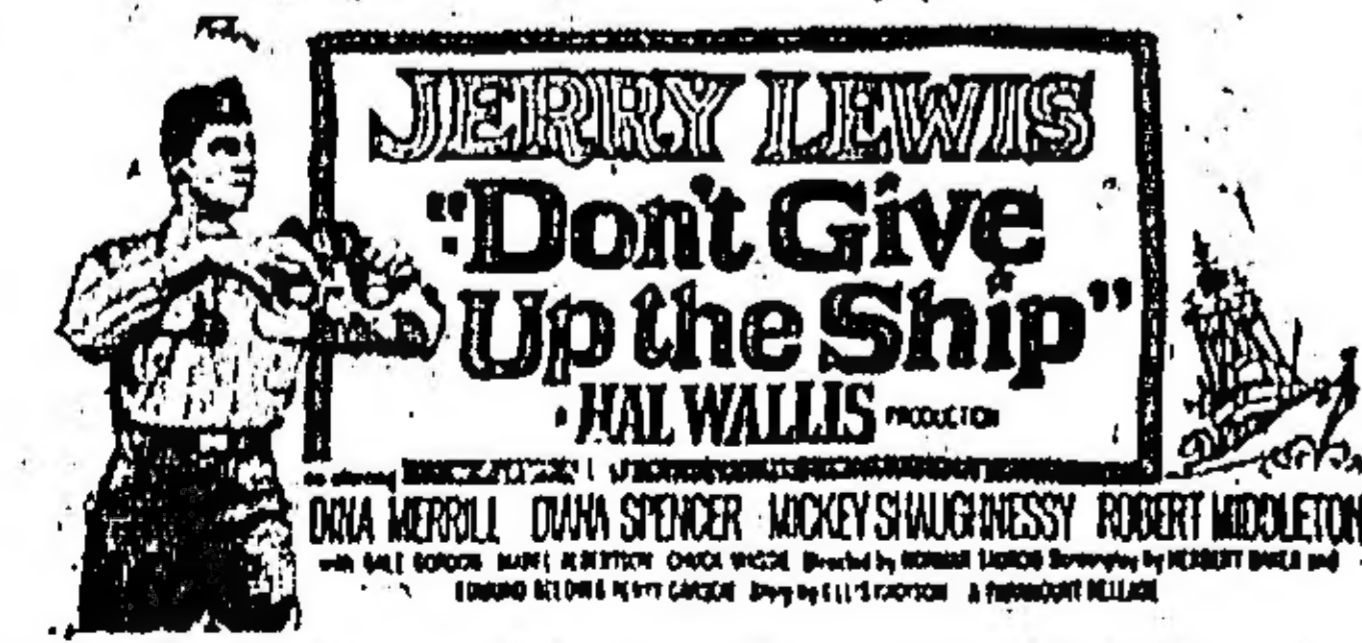
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**A perfect couple — but they are not married**

London, Feb. 25. **DONALD NEWSOME** and the woman who is the mother of his three children are, said a judge, the other day, a perfect example of how to live in married harmony—but they are not married.

Newsome was legally married in 1941; his wife left him four years later. In 1948 he went through a ceremony with Elizabeth Keys, who knew of the marriage.

For 14 years they lived happily together. The children arrived — John, Helen, and Pauline. And not until last week was their secret revealed.

Forty-nine-year-old Newsome pleaded guilty at Derbyshire Assizes of bigamy and Elizabeth Keys, aged 38, of aiding and abetting him.

Mr Justice Stable — called the Merciful Judge — heard the evidence and gave them an absolute discharge.

He told them: "You have nothing to be ashamed of. You have set an example of how to live in married harmony and happiness. I hope you will continue to live happily together."

There were tears in the couple's eyes as they left the court. Newsome, who lives in Kerry Street, Derby, said later: "I know I did wrong and I was prepared to pay the penalty. It was wonderful of the judge to let us go home and rejoin the children."

"As soon as I am free I shall marry Elizabeth. She has been a wonderful help to me all these years."

HEADS HIGH

Elizabeth said: "We had lived in dread of this day for years. But we have always held our heads up high. And our children are a credit to us."

The couple gave four rules for living happily together:—

ONE: Love and respect each other.

TWO: Put the children first in all things.

THREE: Share the wage packet fairly.

FOUR: Drink only within reason.

Then this couple who are not married returned to domestic harmony free, for the first time in 14 years, of their secret fear. And they need have no worry that they will lose their council house. Mr E. H. Gregory, Derby housing director, said: "I am sure the council would be loth to disturb the couple after so many years."

IN RADCLIFFE, Lancashire, where she lives with her 14-year-old daughter, Newsome's wife, Mrs Elizabeth Keys, said: "I will never divorce my husband. I am a Roman Catholic. I am not being vindictive—it is a matter of religious principle."

It was Mrs Newsome's second marriage. Her first ended in divorce. "You see that marriage was in a Protestant church," said Mrs Newsome. "Do I wish them happiness? Well, I wouldn't know about that. All I know is that I don't want him back."



At home... the couple with daughters Helen (left), 12, and Pauline, 9.

ACCESS TO OFFICIAL PAPERS QUESTIONED IN COMMONS

London, Feb. 25. The Prime Minister said today he would consider thinking out a new interpretation of the rules allowing ex-ministers to quote from official documents when writing their memoirs.

He was answering what has become a weekly barrage of questions in the House of Commons about Sir Anthony Eden's memoirs, particularly his references to the Middle East and relations with the United States at the time of the Suez crisis.

Mr Macmillan said: "Sir Anthony Eden did submit the text of his book to me and the Secretary of the Cabinet. I do not regard publication of these references (the Middle East affairs) as extracts open to objection."

The only actual quotation from a Cabinet memorandum for which approval had to be given by the Queen was for a matter when Sir Anthony was Foreign Secretary dealing with Far Eastern affairs, he added.

Procedure lax

Mr Hugh Galskell, the Opposition leader, said he thought the procedure had become lax.

He objected to references being made to Cabinet decisions and telegrams to the United States "which apart from the indiscretion involved also gave a decidedly one-sided picture of the whole affair."

Mr Macmillan replied: "This had occurred to me. Perhaps we ought to treat the war and post-war as something different. I have just followed ordinary convention up to now. I would consider whether we should try and think of a new structure or interpretation." He would consult Mr Galskell about it.—China Mail Special.

UK firms get Sudan contract

London, Feb. 25. Three British firms have between them obtained a contract worth nearly £20 million to build a complete textile mill in the Sudan. It was announced here today.

The contract, one of the largest ever negotiated in the Sudan, has been secured against world-wide competition by the English Electric Company, Platt Brothers (Sole) Limited and Moxley Ridgeway and Partners.

It is for a mill in Khartoum expected to employ 3,000 workers and turn out 75 million yards of cloth a year when it starts full production in 1962.—China Mail Special.

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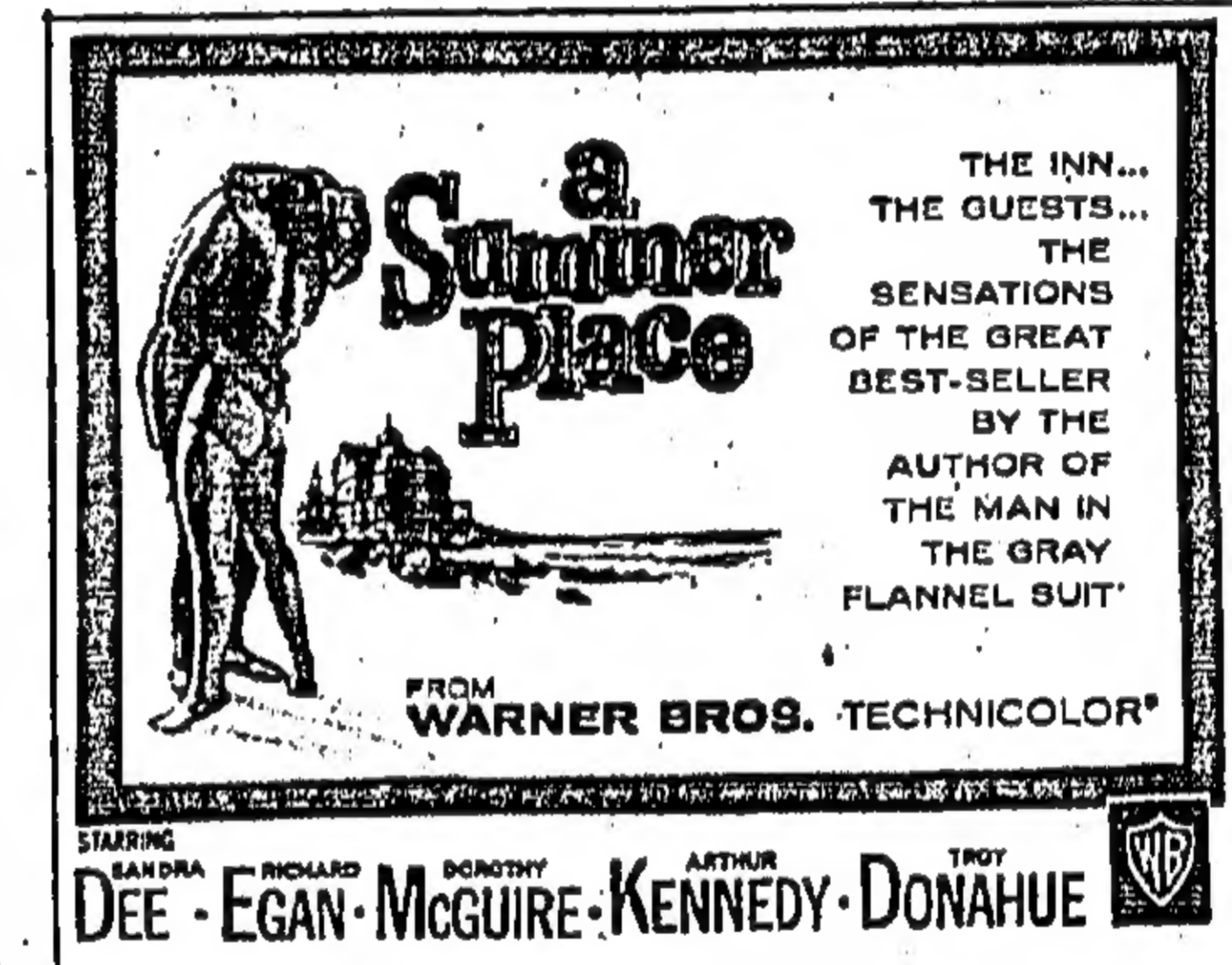
Madras, Feb. 25. Mr Chakravarti Rajagopalachari, India's last governor-general in 1947, said today Countess Mountbatten had earned for Britain "the goodwill of a whole people who had been embittered."

Releasing a telegram of condolence to Lord Mountbatten, India's last viceroy and first governor-general, he said Lady Mountbatten had "more than half a share in that work of relinquishing political sovereignty." — China Mail Special.

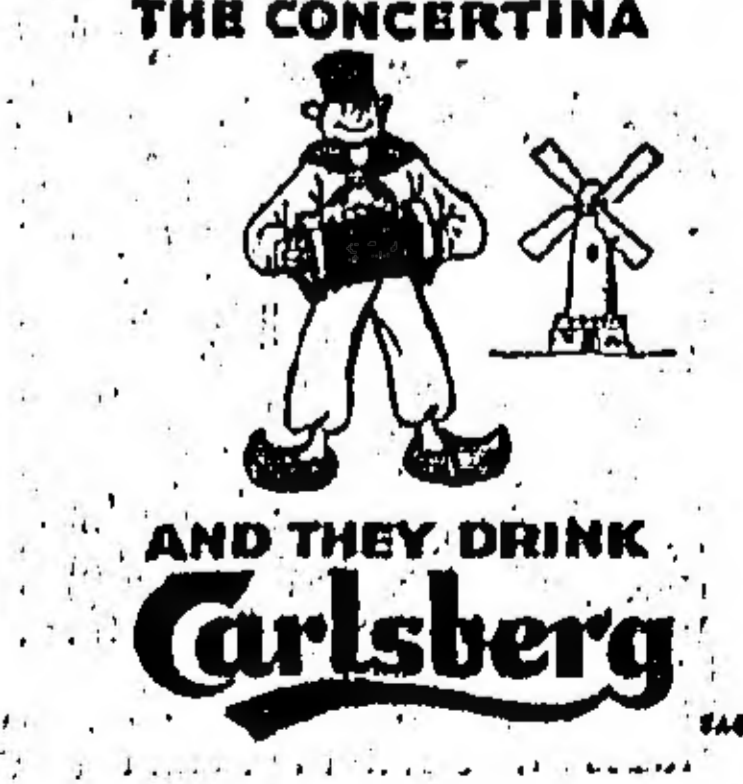
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Our Correspondent

Dateline: Cairo

THE man Sir Winston Churchill once called Britain's "deadliest enemy" is ambitiously plotting again in the Middle East to set himself up as head of a "Palestinian Republic" backed by Iraq.

He is 64-year-old Haj Amin el-Husseini, former Grand Mufti (or Moslem "archbishop") of Jerusalem, who worked with the Nazis against Britain in Palestine during the war and fled to Berlin when the British tried to seize him.

Now even President Nasser, who has given him sanctuary for years, has had to declare "war" on him.

Haj Amin is now in the Lebanon, whence he had to flee when Nasser's newspapers started thundering: "He is no good."

A 'plot'

Reports now leaking out about a recent Foreign Minister-level Arab League conference give a clue to his new bid for power.

To their Arab colleagues the Egyptians angrily accused the ex-Mufti of "conspiring" with Iraq's Premier Abdul Karim Kassem—Nasser's No. 1 Arab enemy—to form the so-called "Palestine Republic."

To Nasser and his disciples no crime could be worse. Not only has Haj Amin bitten the Egyptian hand that fed him in a Cairo villa for most of the past 15 years.

He has also cast in his lot with that "Communist

tool" Kassem in a grand bid to lure 1,000,000 Arab refugees from the old Palestine away from Cairo towards Bagdad.

This, the Egyptians charge, is the ex-Mufti's own plot—"for his own selfish ends"—to undermine another Palestinian solidarity plan proposed by Nasser and his backers in the dissension-torn Arab League.

Four died

With the Arab League's worries mingled fear. Its members have no more reason to trust the "Evil Deity" than the British had.

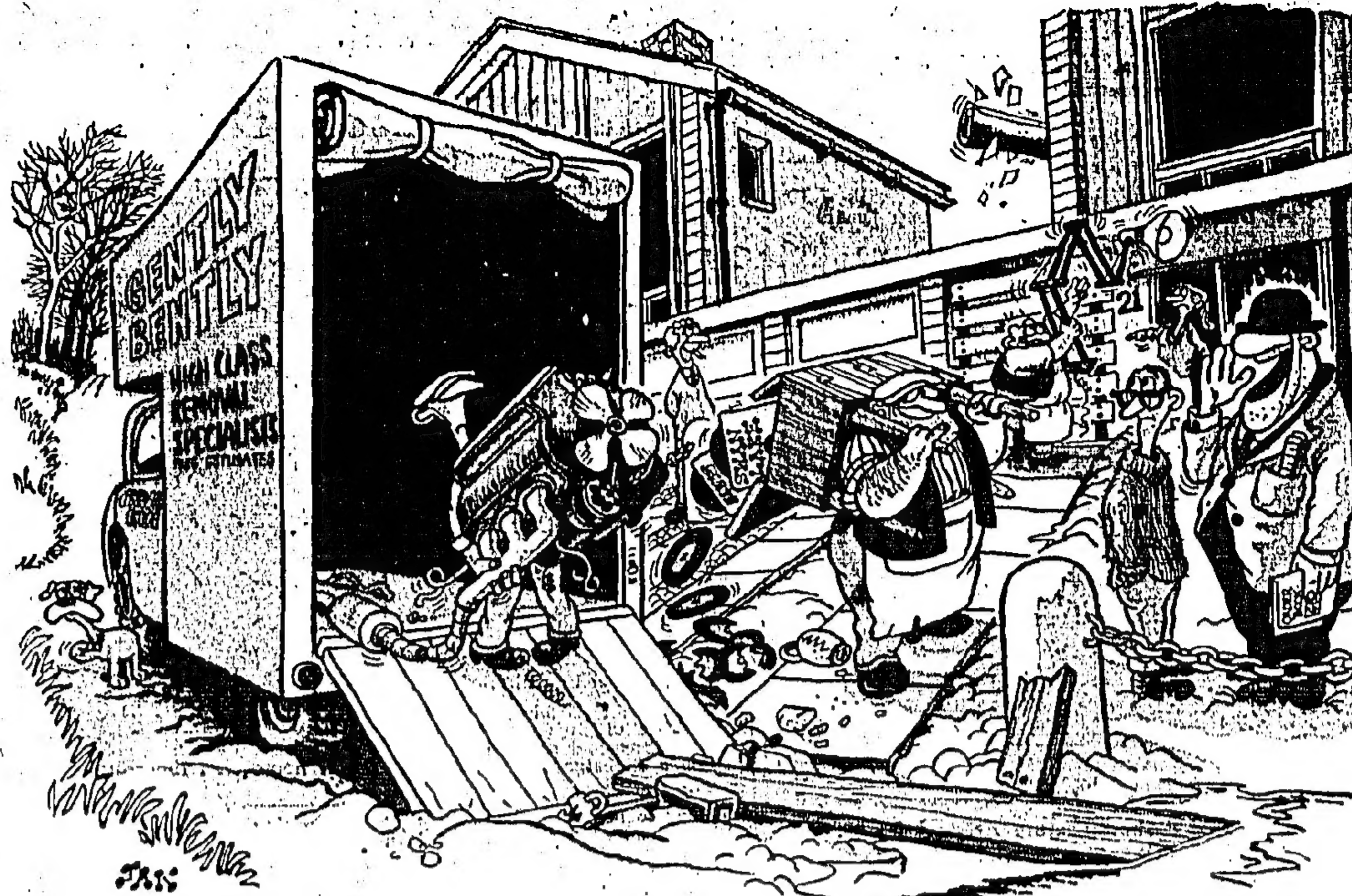
In a 12-month period of 1951-2 one Arab king and three Arab Prime Ministers who opposed his designs were assassinated.

One was white-bearded King Abdullah, grandfather of King Hussein of Jordan. Abdullah was shot dead as he came from a Jerusalem mosque. King Hussein was splattered with blood.

The ex-Mufti was accused of organising the murder. A price still remains on his head in Jordan.

There is another point of friction between Haj Amin and Nasser, Nasser has declared his own private war in Egypt and Syria on the Arab Communists. There is strong suspicion that the ex-Mufti has been in close touch with Communist agents operating from Iraq, Syria, and elsewhere in the Middle East, and that he has been using Communist money to finance his operations.

JAK
moves
house



"Put that back where you found it, you idiot - it's ours"

—(London Express Service).

Once again—because the China Mail is Hongkong's only newspaper with a resident reporter in Moscow—you can read the enlightening story of life in Russia...TODAY YOU'RE VISITING...

The Red Eton

by

CHRISTOPHER DOBSON

Moscow. PIGTAILED girls in chocolate-brown dresses and black gym slips, and shaven-headed boys in grey brass-button tunics bobbed their curtsies and made their stiff-necked bows to me as I walked through the clean but dowdy hall of their boarding school, set among the pinewoods in the outskirts of Moscow.

There is a sort of Red Eton, one of the many new boarding schools which Russia is developing. The school I visited was run by Alexander Petrov, a burly, pleasant-faced man in his middle thirties. The children rise at seven and start the day with exercises, have breakfast at eight, and clean out their own rooms.

At 8.30 they begin lessons and work until one o'clock, when they have lunch.

After lunch there are games until four, when they have tea, and then there are more lessons until six, when they break up into "circles" for photography, woodwork, puppet theatres, art, gym, and a multitude of other activities.

Chinese...

Supper is at 7.30 and is followed by a walk. Then comes bed—at nine for the youngsters and at 9.30 for the veterans. They sleep in dormitories from six to 14 in a room. Each of these schools specialises in one foreign language. This one has adopted Chinese, and in each class I saw

Russian children learning to speak the language under the supervision of a Chinese school-master.

They practise their pronunciation by wearing earphones and a microphone, and repeating recorded words while the teachers listen to them, one after the other, at a master set.

Petrov says: "They love this lesson. With the microphone and earphone they pretend they are space pilots."

The point to be noted here may be noted in almost every aspect of Russian life: superb equipment is housed in rather tatty buildings.

This school has a house for teaching the children to drive, an engine for mechanical training, a complicated set of traffic lines to teach the rules of the road, a woodwork shop with

factory-type lathes and machine tools.

There is a photographic laboratory and a scientific laboratory. There is a doctor's surgery, with up-to-date electrocardiograph equipment, and a fully furnished dental surgery.

This modernity is housed in a building hung with heavy red velvet curtains and equipped with desks of ancient vintage. It is yet another example of Russian preoccupation with technical furniture. Personal comfort comes last.

Honour

There is no corporal punishment here. I made Petrov laugh by telling him that almost the only schools left in England where a boy is caned are those where a father pays to send his son.

Said he: "We have no corporal punishment. We work on the principle that words hurt more than beatings, and the worst punishment we give is to send an offender home."

What about lines and extra essays? "No, we do not believe in setting work as a punishment. Work is a labour of honour, it is not a punishment. If children are punished by work, they will hate work."

Parents are encouraged to take part in the work of the school. There are monthly meetings with teachers and each class has a parents' committee which helps to arrange extra-curricular activities.

Control

Petrov assured me that these schools are extremely popular with parents. "When this one was first opened," he said, "there were 830 applications for 100 places."

One of the reasons is that, without the children, the parents can devote themselves wholeheartedly to earning their living. Many of them live in cramped conditions with large families and it is more wholesome for the children to live at school.

The Government is working flat out to get every child into a boarding school. Hundreds of new schools are being built and many existing day schools are being converted—like the one I visited—into boarding schools.

For the Government, the plan has many advantages: parents are released from household duties to work in the factories, and complete control is exercised over the children to bring them up as good little Communists from the day they are born.

They are taught to think as Communists, act as Communists, and learn as Communists. Indoctrination is begun from the

moment the children enter school.

There are no classes in Marxist-Leninism or in dialectical materialism. That must wait until the children go to college.

Nearly every child, however, belongs to the Young Pioneers, a junior branch of the Communist Party, and they have their own room in the school, with their flags and trumpets—and Communist exhortations.

Clever

It is all done very cleverly. The children are well fed, well taught, well looked after, and well indoctrinated.

The Russian Government can look forward to all the children living in these schools being healthy, educated, and good little Communists.

The dream meals of a starving prisoner

SINGAPORE. A BOOK of exotic recipes dreamed up by an Englishman while starving in a Japanese prison camp is becoming a best-seller in South-East Asia.

The man is 33-year-old Philip Newington, who had visions of luxury meals when he was living on a bare four ounces of soggy boiled rice a day. Newington, taken prisoner when Singapore fell in 1942, told me: "It is extraordinary what visions of food you have when you are starving."

He decided to jot down the fantastic recipes that raced through his mind.

He said: "When my friends found out what I was doing we formed a Gourmets' Club. 'Six of us, hollow-cheeked, unshaven and naked, but for a pair of shorts, used to sit down at a table, a broken piece of asbestos laid over a couple of crates."

The debate

"We used to roll imaginary morsels of food in our mouths and debate with academic detachment whether a bayleaf would live on the flavour of the casseroles or whether half a dozen cloves would do a better job."

Notes from these meetings are the basis of "Good Food," the book written by Newington. This is one of his simpler recipes.

Bananas in Wine: Cook some peeled bananas in butter until light brown. Make a syrup with half a pint of sherry. Pour over bananas and simmer gently until soft. Sprinkle with nutmeg and serve hot. —(London Express Service).

Sam White's Paris Newsletter

Dorothy Paget, the Russian Princess and the refugees...

PARIS. WHEN Miss Dorothy Paget died recently she left a little known but very moving memorial to herself in France.

It is a home which she endowed in the early '20s for aged and impoverished White Russians in France.

The home is in a huge chateau 18 miles outside Paris at St Genevieve-des-Bois. How Miss Paget came to endow it makes a touching story.

Apparently as a young girl she was sent to a finishing school in Paris run by a Russian emigre, the Princess Vera Mestchersky, widow of a Tsarist ambassador to The Hague.

There she was miserably unhappy and oppressively self-conscious. Her life was made tolerable however and included even flashes of happiness because of the kindness the Princess showed her. As a gesture of her gratitude Miss Paget after leaving the school endowed this home for Russian emigres.

It is a place of rare beauty with a Slavonic church set in a white birch tree forest. It also includes a sanatorium and a

hospital wing. Its cemetery has become the resting place of the majority of the White Russian colony which invaded Paris after the revolution. Its church is a place of pilgrimage for White Russians during the Russian Easter and New Year.

The Princess Mestchersky died a few years ago and the establishment is now being run by a French daughter-in-law. She ran into difficulty recently when she employed an Orthodox priest who proclaimed his loyalty to the Moscow Patriarch instead of the Athens one. As a result his services were boycotted and he had to be finally withdrawn.

Before the war there was always a long waiting list to gain admittance to the home. Nowadays it is half empty.

Social distinctions are rigidly maintained not on the basis of what one was in Paris but on what one's social standing was in Moscow or St Petersburg under the Tsar.

Princes, princesses, counts and countesses, generals and generals' widows make up the majority of

the inmates, and most of them have lived ever since the revolution in circumstances of great poverty.

The home cannot survive much longer simply because the White Russian colony here is fast disappearing. Their children will not have access to it as most of them are now French citizens.

Art boom

THE boom in art as a financial investment has now reached such a point in Paris that the prices many paintings fetch are now regularly quoted in the Paris financial newspapers along with other stocks and shares.

This is one of the surprising facts to emerge from a review of the art market here conducted by the Paris newspaper Le Monde.

There are now 20 painters in Paris whose work fetches more than £2,000 a canvas and of these two thirds were completely unknown 10 years ago.

A painter like Villon who, for example, five years ago could scarcely find a buyer now sells for more than £10,000 a picture.

Three other painters have seen their prices quadrupled in three years.

To meet this situation in which demand is outstripping supply new galleries are opening here at the rate of one a week. They now number more than 320.

Among the dealers who run them only six or seven sold paintings before the war. The overwhelming majority of these are not dealers in the great Paris tradition—those people with a deep knowledge of art whose relationship to the painter was that of a great publisher to an author.

They are speculators whose great ambition is to establish a "corner" in some promising painter's work or simply to collect an easy 15 per cent in com-

mission on today's grossly inflated art prices.

Bankruptcies are almost unknown in this branch of trade and many private banks are now financing their own gallery.

Many of these galleries flourish entirely on a passing rich tourist trade composed of visitors all too ready to be convinced that their search for undiscovered masterpieces is being rewarded.

In general present-day dealers prefer abstract painters, both because their quality is not so easily discernible and their output greater.

Rapidly of output is a major asset in a painter as seen through the eyes of his dealer speculator.

The temptation for a painter to place his output under contract to one dealer is almost irresistible for in this way he can most quickly emerge from poverty to affluence and fame.

Of the 600 professional painters in Paris nearly 500 work under contract.

In the majority of cases the relationship between painter and dealer is reduced to that of worker and boss.

The painter gets a monthly wage and receives no account of the number or prices of his pictures sold.

Financial syndicates are often formed around the painter, and it is common for his work to be put up for sale at public auction in order that members of the syndicate can bid for it and thus artificially raise its price.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

A Faratrop Colonel: "Metropolitan France is like a well-made Camembert. We must wait until it is fully ripe in order to eat it."

—(London Express Service).

WOMANSENSE

Your Home

THE PAGE WHERE YOU
GET THE EXPERTS' ADVICE

Are you shadowed about the house?

by JOHN E. BLAKE

EDITOR OF DESIGN, MAGAZINE OF
THE COUNCIL OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN

GOOD lighting can contribute more to the enjoyment of home life than almost any other type of furnishing or equipment. Most houses and flats are provided with a central ceiling light, but this is seldom satisfactory, however bright it may be.

If you find that you are in the way of the light when you are cooking or washing up, or have to twist round in your chair to read, then probably a central light is to blame.

A little effort with a long flex and some form of shaded bulb will soon show where the best positions for your particular needs are (more than one light is necessary in most rooms).

But equally important is the quality of the light which will be different for each job it has to perform.

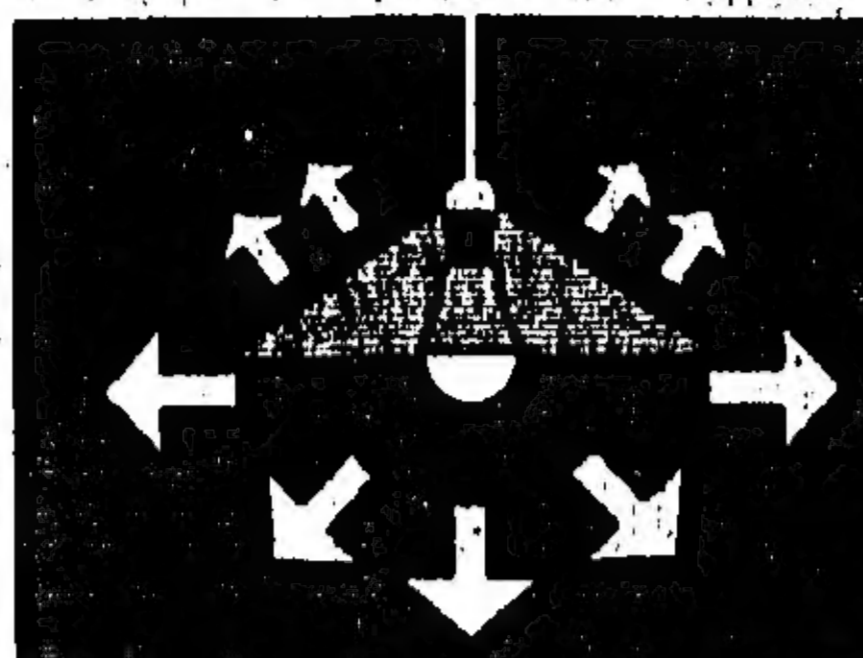
Less harm

Most of us at one time or another have played with a burning glass and have seen how the sun's rays can be concentrated in a pinpoint of light and heat strong enough to set light to paper or wood shavings.

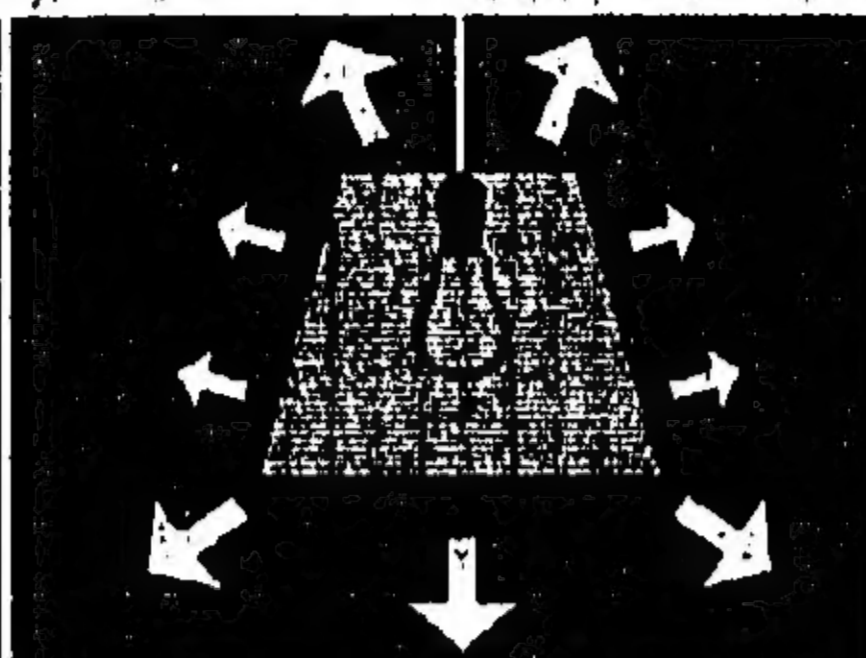
The idea of a lampshade is roughly to reverse this principle—to disperse the pinpoint of light from an electric bulb over a wide area and thus reduce its intensity.

The more we can do this the less harmful to the eyes is the effect of looking directly at the light.

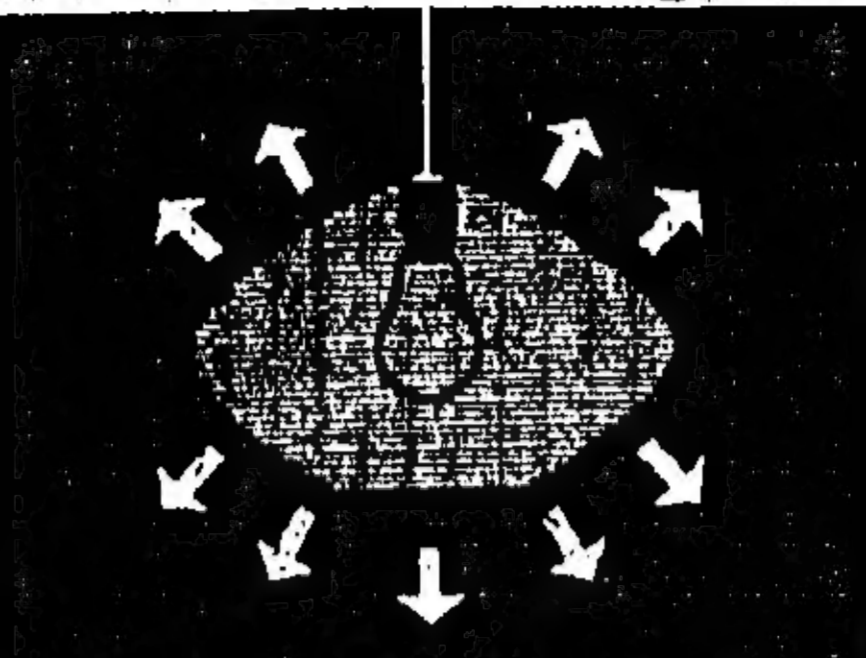
If the lampshade merely covers the top part of the bulb, like the conical shades that most



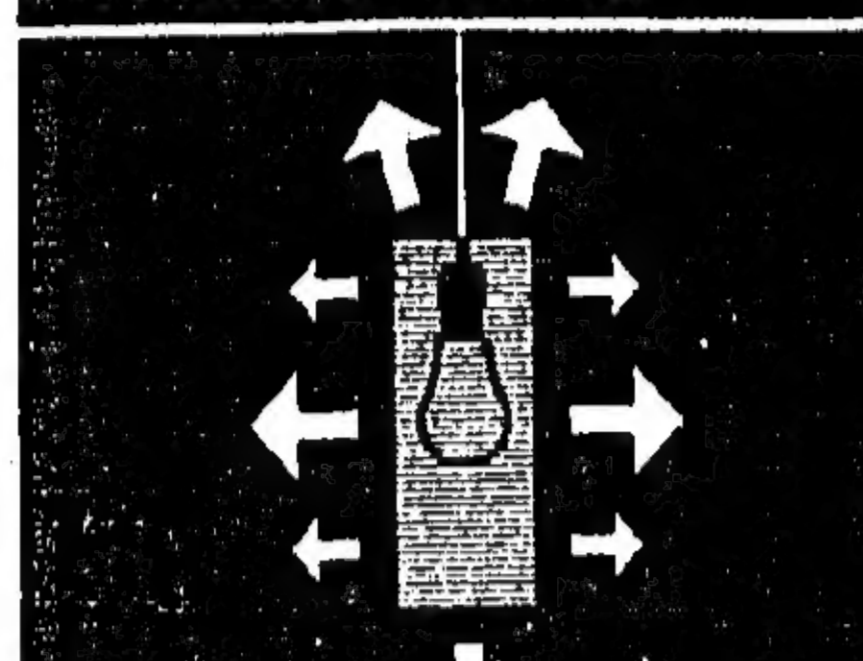
A shade which throws the ceiling into shadow but leaves the bulb visible should be avoided.



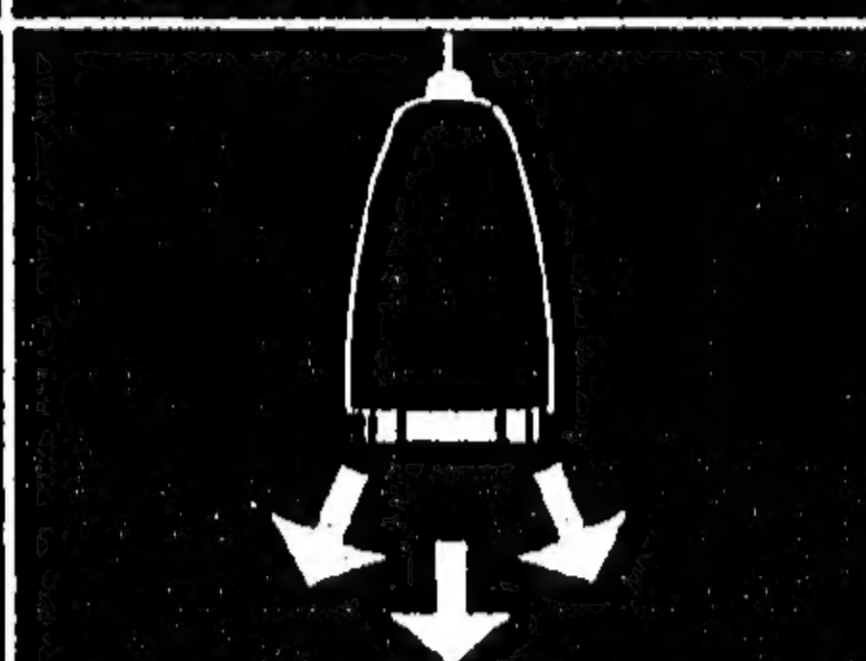
The commonest type of shade—but only really suitable for a table lamp.



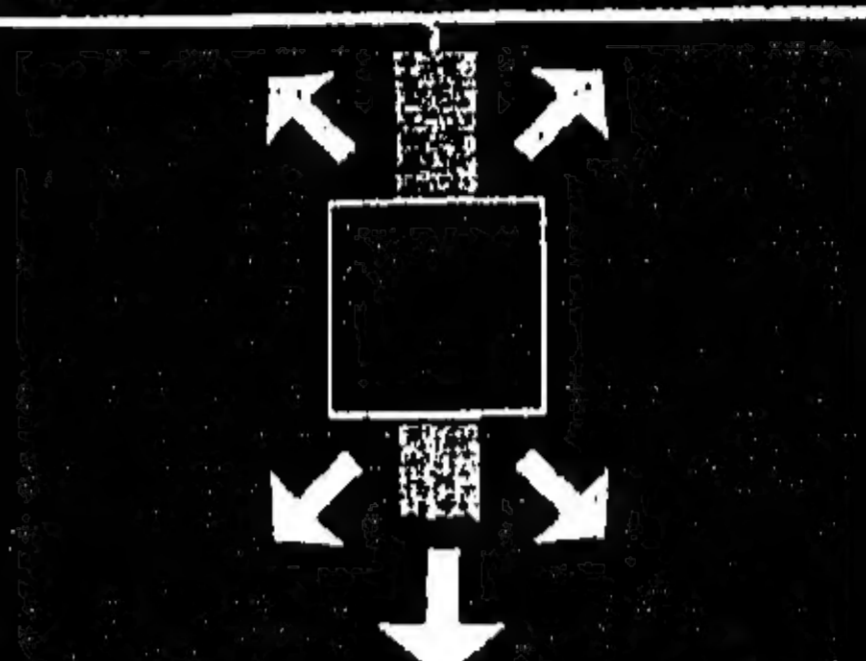
A soft glow from this type of encircling shade gives good background lighting.



A deep cylindrical shade with the bulb well concealed—also good for general use.



For concentrated work this metal shade will shield the light source and throw the light on the working area. A louvre is necessary if the light is set above eye level.



One of several new shades which throw light on to a working area but also spill reflected light to reduce the harmful effects of contrasted light and dark areas.

DRAWINGS BY HOWARD UPJOHN

A choice

For special purposes, where a greater concentration of light is necessary (over a sink, writing desk, or dining table, for example) a metal shade which completely cuts off the source of light from the eyes may be desirable.

Such shades should be carefully chosen because the intense reflection inside the shade may, if it is visible, be as harmful

as a direct sight of the bulb, and some form of louvre should be incorporated.

If a very strong light is directed at a working area in an otherwise dark room, this also can be tiring and normally should be used in conjunction with general background lighting.

Several metal shades have recently been developed which attempt to meet both these requirements. They completely cut off the light from the eyes at a variety of heights, give a brightly lit working area, but spill sufficient light through the top and bottom to provide a comfortable level of background illumination.

A solution

A much more satisfactory solution is a shade which completely encloses the bulb, or is so deep that the bulb can be seen only from directly underneath.

This type of shade is ideal for general background illumination

and many types are available in plain or decorated opal glass or in plastics (both of which can be taken down and washed) or also in paper, which is, of course, less durable.

or we still have somewhere in the house, then the effect of the shade is almost negligible, because the bulb is still directly visible.

A shade shaped like an inverted flower pot is also of little use as a pendant since the bulb is still visible when you are sitting down, unless the fitting hangs very low.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

A LITTLE learning is a dangerous thing. South had heard that a suit is more likely to break three-one than two-two and used that little piece of information to go down at a reasonable six spade contract.

He ruffed the second diamond and led a spade to dummy's king. Both opponents followed and South led the nine of spades back. East followed to that also and South let the nine ride. West produced the queen and that was all.

South had heard correctly about the three-one break being more likely than the two-two break but that particular piece

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▲ K93			
▲ QJ4			
▲ J5			
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WEST			
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▲ J8			
EAST			
▲ 76			
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▲ A1074			
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Both vulnerable			
North	East	South	West
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	4 N.T.	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	5 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	6 ♠	Pass
Opening lead—♦K			

of knowledge has nothing to do with the cause of the finesse for the queen with nine of a suit.

Once both opponents followed small to the first spade, all three-one breaks with the queen singleton had disappeared. When East followed to the second spade all three-one breaks with East having a singleton had joined the singleton queen in limbo.

Hence, South's correct play was to go with the ace.

If all this is hard to remember there is a simple rhyme to cover finesses for the queen. It is, "Eight ever, nine never." When there are nine trumps in the two hands, don't finesse.

♥♦CARD Sense♦♥

Q—The bidding has been:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass
3 N.T. Pass 4 ♠ Pass

Now, South, hold:
▲ Q32 ♠ A87 ♦ AK743

A—Old four diamonds. This bid shows the ace of diamonds and also leaves your partner full choice between clubs and spades for the final contract.

TODAY'S QUESTION

Your partner bids five clubs. What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow

COMFORT ON THE MOVE: NEW IDEAS AT SEA, ON RAIL, AND IN THE AIR

ALL you have to do if you want good furnishing ideas is to keep your eyes open. Good design is all round you. Not only in other people's homes but in shops and offices, theatres and hotels, on the sea and in the air.

SEA . . . Ian Hodgson, who has designed the cabin interiors for the new liner *Orania*, which starts on the Australia run this year, says the effect he aimed at was "to make luxury look completely up to date." His piece de resistance was the "verandah suite," an exquisitely cool-looking dayroom, bedroom, and bathroom. Bedrooms and dayroom have walls of padded white leathercloth, ceilings of sound-absorbent acoustic board. You could copy the sound-muffling devices for a noisy house. Padded leathercloth would be ideal for a children's room—tough and hard-wearing as well as sound absorbent.

AIR . . . Gaby Schreiber is the designer of the interior of the famous *Comet 4*. The overall colour scheme is

grey and stone accented by head-rest covers and seat pillows in subtle shades of tangerine, cyclamen, lime green. Silver blue, wheel, and aquamarine. Dotted around casually, she says, these give a relaxed and cheerful effect. You could copy Mrs Schreiber's idea for breaking up the monotony of a long, tubular aircraft cabin—in a long, narrow room perhaps. She has grouped her aircraft seats asymmetrically in blocks of various colours. Walls between the blocks of seats are covered in strawcloth.

LAND . . . Gunter Hoffstead was the co-ordinating designer for the stand at the Furniture Exhibition which showed British Railways' exciting new railway coach. All the seats, with arms padded in luxurious red leather, are individual. You could copy the clever colour scheme of the new railway coach. Ribbed seat covers are in a smoky blue with black leather arm-rests. The general effect is rather like a man's study—solid and good-looking but not for a minute dull.

STORIES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

A Very Happy Poodle

—Hanid Can't Guess What Picky-Poo Found—

By MAX TRELL

"MY, OH MY," said Hanid, the Shadow Girl with the Turned-Around Name, when she looked at Picky-Poo, the Poodle. "You certainly look happy this morning! What happened? Where have you been? What did you find? Whom did you meet?"

Picky-Poo stood in front of Hanid, wagging his tail so fast that it looked like a brown blur in the air. But he didn't say a word. Then Hanid suddenly remembered how to make him talk.

She said: "Don't go away, Picky!"

Found ribbon

Then she ran across the room. When she reached the long green drapes hanging at the side of the window, she looked behind the one hanging nearest the bookcase. And there she found what she was looking for. It was a piece of red ribbon hanging on a nail.

Only this was no ordinary piece of ribbon. It was a magic talking ribbon. The minute Hanid hung the ribbon around

shoe, a bell, a toll. But all of them were wrong. Finally she fell silent.

"Do you give up?" asked Picky.

"I can't think of another thing," said Hanid. "You'd better tell me."

"All right," said Picky, "come outside with me and I'll show you."

Left outside?

"You mean," said Hanid, in surprise, "that you left this wonderful thing that you found, outside?"

"I did," said Picky.

"Aren't you afraid that someone else will come along and take it?"

"No," answered Picky. "No one will take it."

Hanid followed Picky outside.

Doesn't see it

"Well, where is it?" asked Hanid when they stood in the middle of the garden. "I don't see anything."

"Come this way," said Picky. Hanid walked behind Picky to the next-door neighbour's fence.

"I left it on the other side of the fence," Picky said. "Just look over the top of the fence and you'll see."

Hanid stood on her tiptoes and looked over the top of the next-door neighbour's fence. And there she saw at last what



Hanid looked over the fence to see what Picky found.

Pretty Girl-Poodle

It was a Girl-Poodle, with big eyes and curly hair! "Isn't she beautiful? Isn't she the most wonderful thing I could find? Don't you love her?" said Picky.

Hanid smiled and hugged Picky.

"You're wonderful, too!" she said. And she took the magic talking ribbon off, and Picky squeezed through a hole in the fence and went to see his beautiful new-found friend!

LADY LUCK

your
CHINA MAIL
horoscope

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): A promise to meet a friend today ought to be kept, even though later developments have made it rather inconvenient.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): Don't mistake wishful thinking for reality, and avoid embarking on a venture which does not meet with the approval of your partner.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Consider well if the important purchases you are about to make will give you the best value you can obtain for your hard earned money.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You may be able to tap a new source of income, but be prepared for hard work and stiff competition.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): The independence to which you aspire can only be achieved gradually and by adhering to established principles of proper procedure.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): Don't be discouraged if your point of view does not coincide with the opinions of others. You can't always be right.

LEO (July 22-August 21): It would be a mistake to

give in to a sudden impulse today to do something quite unorthodox.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): If you feel that a tradesman is overcharging you, tell him so before paying what you feel is not reasonable.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): Be careful about money matters for a while and don't use every penny of your surplus funds.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 22): A person born at the beginning of October is likely to prove an indifferent colleague from whom you cannot expect much co-operation.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23-December 21): Try to forget a controversy with a friend in the past concerning matters of finance.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Instead of going out of your way in search of new friends, you will be surprised to find some very stimulating people in your immediate neighbourhood.

YOUR BIRTHDAY: If this is your birthday, a lucky year is ahead of you. Some travel is indicated, also the start of a lifelong friendship.

Rupert and the Windies—13



Up and up go the two sails, and as they reach the clouds they shut their eyes. All at once they realise that their captors have let go of them, and they cry out in alarm, but after dropping a few inches they land on something firm. In front of them stands one

of the weird creatures. His tail, no longer rippling and flying, is hanging straight like a gown. "Don't make so much noise," he orders. "This is our home. Stay here." Rupert rises gingerly. "Is this isn't a cloud, whatever it is?" he says, trembling.

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RAPID RACING COMMENTS

Three-day Annual Meeting begins tomorrow

WILLIAMS SAVES LEeward ISLAND FROM COLLAPSE AGAINST THE MCC

Antigua, Feb. 25.

A sound innings of 84 by opening bat O. Williams, saved the Leeward Islands from threatened collapse against the MCC on the first day of their three-day match here today.

Leeward Islands, who won the toss, were 220 for five at the close.

Slumped

MCC spinners, Tommy Greenough, Ken Barrington and Raman Subba Row, turned the ball appreciably and at one time looked like bringing about a complete breakdown of the batting.

Malayan shuttler savoured to win Surrey Open

London, Feb. 25.

Lee Kin-lai, the former Malayan junior champion, is favourite for the men's singles title in the Surrey Open Badminton Championship at Wimbledon tomorrow and Saturday.

Pratiang Pattabongse, a Thailand girl, will reveal the strength of her challenge for the All-England Championship when she defends her women's singles title at Wimbledon.

Although Miss Pattabongse has been here since early January on a secretarial course, this will be her first singles appearance. Her first big test is likely to be in the semi-final against Sonia Cox, the New Zealand No. 1—Reuter.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

9TH (ANNUAL) RACE MEETING
Saturday 27th February, Wednesday 2nd and
Saturday 5th March, 1960.

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)
THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 30 RACES.
(There will be 10 races each day)

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race run at 12.00 Noon, each day. The tiffin interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.) each day.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 10.00 a.m. each day.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No person without an admission badge, which must be prominently displayed throughout the meeting, will be admitted. Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable during office hours from the Club's Cash Sweep Offices, at Queen's Building, Chater Road, 5, D'Aguiar Street, King's Road, North Point, and 382 Nathan Road, only on the written introduction of a Member. THESE BADGES WILL NOT BE ON SALE AT THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

ADMISSION BADGES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE RACE COURSE ON RACE DAYS.

Tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 72811).

NO CHILDREN under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be available in the RESTAURANT.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$20.00 each per day and \$60.00 each for the three days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), 5, D'Aguiar Street and 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon, during office hours.

Tickets reserved and available but not sold for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 26th February, 1960, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Club's Cash Sweep Offices.

The office hours of the Club's Cash Sweep Offices are as follows:—

Queen's Building, (Chater Road) and 5, D'Aguiar Street, Hong Kong:—
Week-days, Mondays to Fridays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday, 27th February 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
Saturday 27th February, Wednesday 2nd and Saturday 5th March 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.
King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong and 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon:—
Week-days, Mondays to Fridays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday 26th February 9 a.m. to 11.45 a.m.
Saturday 27th February, Wednesday 2nd and Saturday 5th March CLOSED.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th February, 1960.

NEW SUBSCRIPTION PONIES MAKE THEIR DEBUTS IN THE THREE SECTIONS OF THE HOPEFUL STAKES

The stage is all set for the Hongkong Jockey Club's 9th (Annual) Race Meeting, which starts at noon tomorrow and continues on Wednesday, March 2, and Saturday, March 5.

There are 10 events each day and the tiffin interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.). The fifth race begins at 3.00 p.m.

The fine weather of the past few days has rendered the grass track fairly hard, and it can be maintained, we may confidently expect to witness some very keen racing.

The day's programme consists of 10 events, most interesting of which will be the three sections of the Hopeful Stakes. These events will serve to introduce the new Australian subscription ponies to the public.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

FIRST RACE

Hopeful Stakes (First Section): One Mile.
The curtain rises with this event for the first lot of Australian subscription ponies. I don't think I shall be far wrong in stating that the ponies to watch are Fenella (Chun Kit), Vanessa (P. Plumby) and Fire Chief (C. Y. Wong).

Fenella is good and it will not surprise many to see it come in first.

Vanessa is also dangerous and Fire Chief may spring a surprise as this pony is undoubtedly good.

SECOND RACE
Jockey Cup: From 2 Mile Post.
Novice jockeys will have this race all to themselves and will be given Class 5 ponies as their mounts.

The calibre of Limelight (J. S. C. Neel) is well known and it is in the Curragh Handicap (First Section) over the mile at the 6th Race Meeting that it will be the pony to win this race.

Opposition should come from Elephant (Sam Show) and Not So Bad (Chun Kit-lun).

THIRD RACE
Hopeful Stakes (Second Section): One Mile.
This race is for the second section of the new Australian subscription ponies and on their training form I believe that the winner will come from among Honey Bird (A. Ostroumoff), Crystal Gear (C. Y. Wong) and Virtuous (T. H. Yau).

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In this race, Trooper (P. Plumby) and Strong Courage (H. K. Hung) should attract the most attention.

Trooper, in view of its convincing gallop over the mile in 1.57 1/2 with a last quarter of 27-1/5 seconds on February 16, could win.

Strong Courage should be placed.

SIXTH RACE
Old Course Handicap (First Section): From 1 1/4 Mile Post.
This is another sprint event in which Pathfinder (Chun Kit) should be prominent at the finish.

In view of the opposition it should not be fully extended except perhaps by Rob Roy (Lai Chun-fai) or Confuser (Wan Shek-ming).

SEVENTH RACE
P. & O. Cup: From 2 Mile Post.
Prominent View (H. C. Woo), having hit winning form, can make it two in a row over this distance.

Chia Tse Loong (Robert Tsai) is good for this distance and will take a lot of beating.

Vanity Fair (P. Plumby) also has been in training and has a very good chance of success.

Eighth RACE
Victoria Handicap: Six Furlongs.
The first lot of Class 2 ponies will gather together for this event and it looks as if the finish will be fought out among Grand Moment (K. Kwok), Jingle Bell (H. M. Boleho), and Satellite (Alton Chan).

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Cut this out and take it to the races tomorrow for your guidance

Starters, Weights And Riders

Starters, weights and riders for tomorrow's Happy Valley race meeting are given below. This list is based on the most up-to-date information available. As an additional guide to form, the placings of the ponies in their last three starts will be found on the left hand side of their names.

The names of ponies are all listed according to the positions drawn. The first named pony has drawn the No. 1 position, the second named the No. 2 and so on.

12.00 noon. Race 1. HOPEFUL STAKES (1st Section). 1 Mile. 1000 Pounds.

--- Bingo (Leckoff) 147 lbs.
--- Malchik (Sofronoff) 147 lbs.
--- Jessé (Lin) 147 lbs.
--- Forerunner (Shih) 147 lbs.
--- Fenella (Tokmakoff) 147 lbs.
--- Ho-Ho (Rodney) 147 lbs.
--- Fire Chief (Chew) 147 lbs.
--- Vanessa (Belokopoff) 147 lbs.

12.30 p.m. Race 2. JOCKEY CUP. 1 Mile 17 1/2 Yards. Novice Race. Class 5.

--- Not So Bad (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.
--- Honey Bird (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.
--- Superb (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.
--- Catty Sark (A. S. Wong) 143 lbs.
--- Elegance (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.
--- Limelight (A. S. Wong) 143 lbs.
--- Jura (Belokopoff) 143 lbs.

1.00 p.m. Race 3. HOPEFUL STAKES (2nd Section). 1 Mile. 1000 Pounds.

--- Crystal Gear (Chew) 147 lbs.
--- Zanzibar (Sofronoff) 147 lbs.
--- Precious Coral (Nai) 147 lbs.
--- Virtuous (Metreveloff) 147 lbs.
--- Talent (Shih) 147 lbs.
--- Hot Chestnut (Wood) 147 lbs.
--- Overture (S. H. Wong) 147 lbs.

1.30 p.m. Race 4. SOUTHERN HANDICAP. 3/4 Mile 170 Yards. Class 5.

--- Twin Luck (Lum) 143 lbs.
--- Ding Dong (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.
--- Famosa (S. H. Wong) 143 lbs.
--- Wise Leader (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.
--- Ever Oward (Tokmakoff) 143 lbs.
--- Naradans Quest (S. H. Wong) 143 lbs.
--- Rocky Bay (Lum) 143 lbs.

3.00 p.m. Race 5. HOPEFUL STAKES (3rd Section). 3/4 Mile. 1000 Pounds.

--- Dragon Stead (Tokmakoff) 147 lbs

Finland wins Olympic skiing relay in a pulsating finish

RUSSIA TAKES HER SIXTH GOLD MEDAL

Squaw Valley, Feb. 25.

A pulsating finish in the 40 kilometres cross-country skiing relay, won by Finland by a couple of metres from Norway, was the highlight of the Winter Olympic Games here today. Veikko Hakulinen, 35-year-old Finnish forest technician, snatched the gold medal for Finland — their first of the Games — by a superb last lap of ten kilometres which he started 20 seconds in arrears.

DRAMATIC WIN BY U.S. IN ICE-HOCKEY

Squaw Valley, Feb. 25. The United States scored an unexpected and dramatic victory over Canada by two goals to one (period scores one to zero, one to zero, zero to one) in the final pool of the Olympic ice-hockey tournament here this afternoon.

This win may prove to have given the United States the gold medals and world title. The Americans are now the only team with a maximum of six points. The Soviet Union has five and Canada four. Robert Cleary scored for the U.S. in the first period and Paul Johnson made it 2-0 in the second. James Connelly scored for Canada in the final period. — Reuters.

Russia through

Squaw Valley, Feb. 25. Russia, the defending champions, who are scrambling for third place in the Olympic Hockey Tournament, defeated West Germany 7-1 today. Both teams played rough hockey at the finish, but left the game amicably. The Soviets, held to a 2-2 tie by Sweden on Wednesday, played without three of their top stars — goalie Nikolai Pechkov, captain Nikolai Sologubov, and the deadly shooting wing-man Konstantin Loktev.

The Russian coach apparently was saving his best for Russia's battle with the United States on Saturday. — AP.

Sports Diary

TO-DAY

DBS annual sports day, school ground, 11.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. (Clementine Middle School annual sports, SCAA stadium, noon to 4 p.m.)

Tennis Colony grass court tennis at HKCC, 5.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW

Hockey First day of Annual Meeting, Happy Valley, Noon. KQV School annual athletic meeting, school ground, 2 p.m. Ladies' Gremelin Cup: St George's v Victorians (KQV) 4 p.m.

Cricket 1st Division: Brigade v CCC, IRC v Optima, KCC v Recreation, Scarborough v Garrison. 2nd Division: Brigade v University, HAF v PHS, Centuria v IRC, Recreation v KCC.

Soccer 1st Division: Eastern v South China (CH) 4 p.m.; Army v Police (BS) 4 p.m. 2nd Division: Eastern v South China (CH) 2.30 p.m.; Army v Police (BS) 2.30 p.m. 3rd Division: Tai Koo v Tuen Mun (Navy) 2 p.m.; Caroline Hill v AFS (Navy) 4 p.m.; Prisoners v Gymnasium (Stanley) 4 p.m.; HAF v Kaitak v Telephone (HIV) 4 p.m. 4th Division: Post Office v St Joseph's (HIV) 4 p.m.; Dodwell v Tramways (HIV) 2.30 p.m.; Sit Ying v Rediffusion (HIV) 2.30 p.m.; B & S v C & W (HIV) 4 p.m. Five-One-Seven v Mercantile (HIV) 4 p.m.; University v Kin Godown (Foktulan) 4 p.m.

CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN

The following game (Feigin-Monticelli, Munich 1939) is almost unique in chess history: the white QB blockades the whole black force single-handed. 1 P-Q4, Kt-KB3; 2 P-QB4, P-K3; 3 Kt-KB3; 4 Q-B2, P-B4; 5 P-Kt-B3; 6 Kt-KB3, P-Kt-B3; 7 B-Kt5, Kt-QB7 (fatal loss of time; correct is 7 P-QB3; 8 Kt-KB3; 9 P-R4; BxR; ch; 10 QxR; Castles; 11 P-K5, Kt-KB3; 12 BxQ, Kt-Q; 13 B-Kt7, R-K1; 14 B-B3, Kt-R3; 15 P-QB3, Kt-R3; 16 B-Q4 (forced, otherwise White wins a piece by P-QB4-5); 17 B-B7, R-R3; 18 P-BB, Kt-Q4; 19 BxR, RxB; 20 B-Q4; 21 P-Kt-B3, Kt-B1; 22 Castles QR, Kt-B3; 23 R-Q0, Resigns.

Solution No. 5774: 1 Q-Kt7 (threat 2 R-Kt7); 2 R-Kt7; 3 R-Kt7; 4 R-Kt7; 5 R-Kt7; 6 R-Kt7; 7 R-Kt7; 8 R-Kt7; 9 R-Kt7; 10 R-Kt7; 11 R-Kt7; 12 R-Kt7; 13 R-Kt7; 14 R-Kt7; 15 R-Kt7; 16 R-Kt7; 17 R-Kt7; 18 R-Kt7; 19 R-Kt7; 20 R-Kt7; 21 R-Kt7; 22 R-Kt7; 23 R-Kt7; 24 R-Kt7; 25 R-Kt7; 26 R-Kt7; 27 R-Kt7; 28 R-Kt7; 29 R-Kt7; 30 R-Kt7; 31 R-Kt7; 32 R-Kt7; 33 R-Kt7; 34 R-Kt7; 35 R-Kt7; 36 R-Kt7; 37 R-Kt7; 38 R-Kt7; 39 R-Kt7; 40 R-Kt7; 41 R-Kt7; 42 R-Kt7; 43 R-Kt7; 44 R-Kt7; 45 R-Kt7; 46 R-Kt7; 47 R-Kt7; 48 R-Kt7; 49 R-Kt7; 50 R-Kt7; 51 R-Kt7; 52 R-Kt7; 53 R-Kt7; 54 R-Kt7; 55 R-Kt7; 56 R-Kt7; 57 R-Kt7; 58 R-Kt7; 59 R-Kt7; 60 R-Kt7; 61 R-Kt7; 62 R-Kt7; 63 R-Kt7; 64 R-Kt7; 65 R-Kt7; 66 R-Kt7; 67 R-Kt7; 68 R-Kt7; 69 R-Kt7; 70 R-Kt7; 71 R-Kt7; 72 R-Kt7; 73 R-Kt7; 74 R-Kt7; 75 R-Kt7; 76 R-Kt7; 77 R-Kt7; 78 R-Kt7; 79 R-Kt7; 80 R-Kt7; 81 R-Kt7; 82 R-Kt7; 83 R-Kt7; 84 R-Kt7; 85 R-Kt7; 86 R-Kt7; 87 R-Kt7; 88 R-Kt7; 89 R-Kt7; 90 R-Kt7; 91 R-Kt7; 92 R-Kt7; 93 R-Kt7; 94 R-Kt7; 95 R-Kt7; 96 R-Kt7; 97 R-Kt7; 98 R-Kt7; 99 R-Kt7; 100 R-Kt7.

Nominate YOUR HONGKONG FOOTBALLER OF THE YEAR

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess.
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail, My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into account his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play, is:

of the Club.

(Signed)

(NOTE: No person is allowed to vote more than once in this poll)

Denmark wins Uber Cup zone final

Copenhagen, Feb. 25. Denmark won the European Zone final of the Uber Cup women's badminton competition by defeating Ireland by six matches to one here tonight.

The Danes won three singles and three doubles and Ireland the remaining doubles match.

In the Inter-Zone ties, Denmark will meet India and Canada will play New Zealand. The winners of the Inter-Zone final will challenge the holders, United States, for the trophy at Philadelphia on April 9. — Reuters.

Medal standings

Squaw Valley, Feb. 25. The Soviet Union topped all the other nations with its bag of six gold, three silver and seven bronze medals after today's Men's 5,000 Metres Ice-Speed Skating and 40 Kilometre Ski Cross Country Relay of the Eighth Olympic Winter Games here.

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Soviet Union	6	3	7
Germany	3	3	0
Sweden	2	0	0
Switzerland	2	0	0
United States	1	3	3
Norway	1	3	0
Austria	1	2	2
Finland	1	1	2
France	1	0	0
Canada	0	1	0
Poland	0	1	1
Holland	0	1	1
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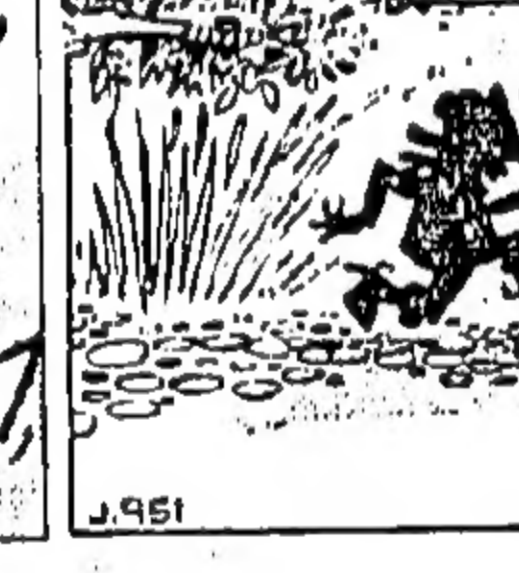
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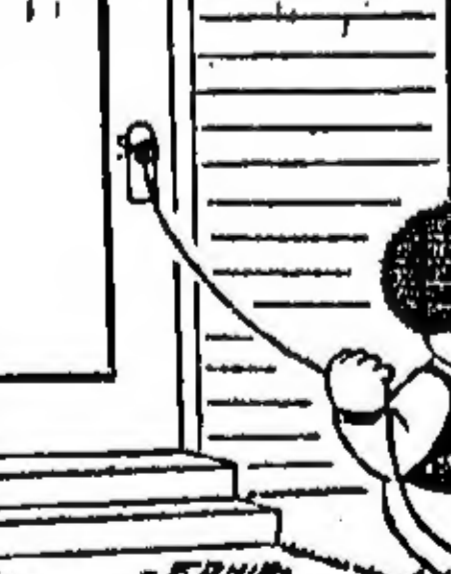
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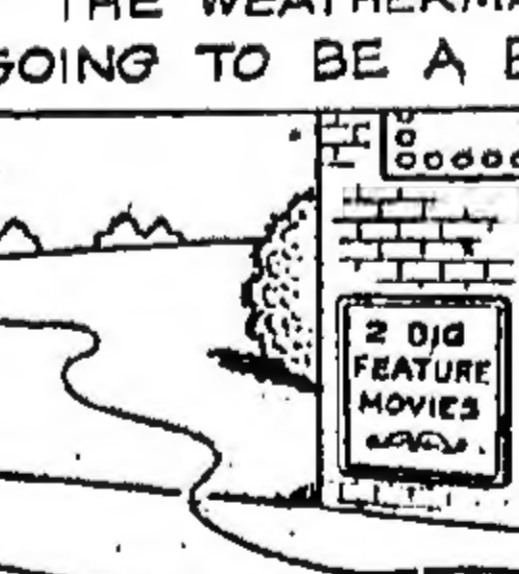
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THERE HE IS! STOP HIM!

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INTERNATIONAL RUGBY

France will be out for revenge against England on Saturday

By JOHN COTTRELL

The England rugby XV who have already beaten Wales and Ireland can go one step further to achieving the "grand slam" when they meet France at Colombes Stadium in Paris on Saturday.

Already favoured to win the Triple Crown and Calcutta Cup, England will now defeat the title-holding Frenchmen for the first time in their history.

Everything points to a tense, keenly-fought battle: Both sides are undefeated with everything to gain. And no victory would be more palatable to both French supporters and players.

Never forgotten

France has never forgotten how completely her rugby men were overwhelmed the last time the English team saw Paris. After that 14-0 hammering, the French team left the field to jeers and boos and thousands of fans shouted for a new fifteen and new selectors.

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that great French revival: victory over England. Without the inspiration of their great leader Lucien Mias, they were held last season to a 3-3 draw at Twickenham.

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England will never have a more fortunate escape than they had against Ireland and their display confirmed my two suspicions:

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Now the little fellows in tennis can get back into the game

New York, Feb. 25.

The car hummed through the Carolina night and the two men spoke but little. Then the short, dark-featured one sat up straight and his voice was decisive as it broke the silence.

"I," said little Pancho Segura, excitedly, "could be the greatest tennis player in the world if the big men couldn't go right to the net behind their service."

"You're nuts," replied Jack Kramer as he steered the car around a curve.

"It's so," stoutly asserted the tiny South American. "It's just that I am too small."

They lapsed back into silence, each of them considering Segura's words. But that was the manner, on a night in 1951 when they were driving from Tuscaloosa, Ala., to Philadelphia for a pro tennis match, when

the idea was born for the new "three-bounce" rule which the pro tennis troupe currently is based on.

Under the "three-bounce" rule the server cannot make his service and charge the net right behind it for a killing volley.

The ball must bounce in the service court and then be allowed to bounce once on each side of the net—two returns—before either player can go to the net.

It has slowed down the serve-and-volley pro game to the point where, finally, the customers can see some tennis. And it only came about even at this belated date because Pancho Segura, the five-time pro champion, agreed to the experiment.

"I didn't think, until now, that I should have to give up the service and net game advantage I had developed over the years," Gonzales explained.

"But this probably will be my last year of competition and it has had a fair effect on the public. They get to see more strategy and tactics instead of the points ending so quickly."

Gonzales, who won't say positively that this is his last year of competition, admits that "the net is feeling fairly away every year." He wants an out, obviously, in case there is an Open championship next year as expected.

"I'd want to play in the first Open, he said. "But I'd want to have a chance to win it."

To their liking

Gonzales hasn't played the three-bounce rule because it is used only in the pro's preliminary match—and he never has dropped into this category simply because he has won all five feature matches played in this current 60-match tour. The loser drops into the preliminary and the preliminary winner moves up to the feature match at the next stop.

But the preliminary battles find the three-bounce rule well to their liking.

"Why not?" asked Alex Olmedo. "I have won all three of the three-bounce matches I have played. Besides, I am sure that it will help me improve my overall game."

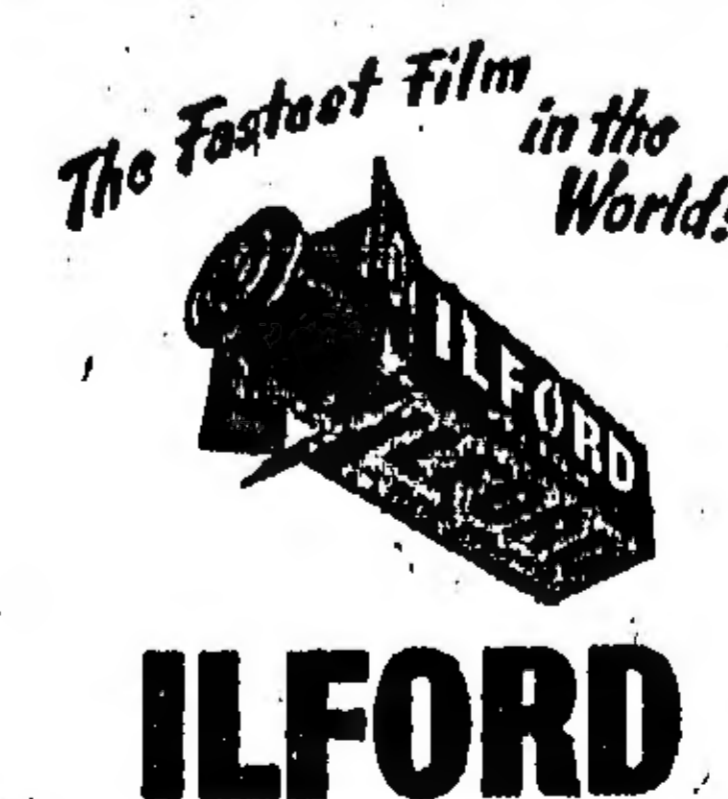
Ken Rosewall, the under-sized Australian known to his mates as "Muscles," estimated that "the rule should help my game more than the others."

This theory is based on the fact that he does not possess the power serve of such blasters as Gonzales, Tony Trabert and Lew Hoad.

It is easier, too, for him to remember the rule.

"Sometimes they forget," chuckled Kramer. "The other night Trabert raced in behind his service, wound up for a smash and then suddenly remembered that hitting it before the bounce would cost him the point. He almost turned inside out getting right out of the way and got back to hit the ball afterwards."

It figures to give the big men their troubles—and put the little fellows back in the game. Segura obviously knew what he was talking about that night in North Carolina. —UPI.



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WATER PRICE RISE PROTEST

Industries to hold meeting next week

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Hongkong business and industrial circles voiced objection to the rise in the price of water announced by Government on Wednesday.

Most concerned are tea-houses, cafes, restaurants, bathing establishments, laundries, barbershops, soft drink plants, food preserving and canning factories, dyeing and other textile finishing plants.

These trades use large quantities of water every day.

Speaking on their behalf, Mr. Robert Derr, Chairman of the Kowloon Chamber of Commerce, told the China Mail that the 40 members represented in his Chamber would hold a meeting next week to discuss the matter.

Excessive

Mr. Derr did not object to the rise in tobacco duty but he thought the 50 per cent increase in the petrol duty was "somewhat excessive."

"Petrol is not merely for pleasure and luxury but it is necessary for transport in business and trade," said Mr. Derr. "It underlies the cost of every line of production and service in the Colony," he said. "A 25 per cent rise would be best," he added.

Mr. Chu Shek-lun, President of the Chinese Manufacturers' Association, told the China Mail that the rise in the price of water, though apparently small, actually constituted a hindrance to the Colony's industry.

"It works directly and indirectly to handicap our budding industrial economy," he pointed out. "It not only directly adds to the cost of production making the goods dearer but indirectly adds to the cost of living of the workers who will demand higher wages. This, in turn, adds to the cost of production in a vicious cycle."

And the tea-houses? "We are going to add a little to the charges just to cover ourselves," one informant said.

Search for steel mill site continues

CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Hongkong businessmen are still looking for a suitable site for the proposed \$22.5 million steel mill, a joint enterprise between local and Japanese steel concerns.

Construction of the mill is expected to start in two months time.

"We need a space of at least 300,000 square feet," said a spokesman for the Hongkong Metal Enterprises Ltd. this morning.

"But so far we have been able to find sites of not more than 100,000 square feet. We are still undecided and will continue our search," he said. "A number of Japanese technicians will come to Hongkong in mid-March to help decide on a site and sign a contract with us," he informed.

When completed, the mill will turn out constructional metals from scrap iron obtained through shipwrecking in Hongkong. Later it will employ furnaces to produce steel sheets and wire rods.

Big opium haul confiscated

Central Magistrate Mr. Derek Cox this morning granted an application for the confiscation of 308 lbs of raw opium worth \$300,000 which was seized on board an airplane from Vientiane, Laos, on February 16 at Kai Tak.

Hung Hom Bay reclamation

The Governor in Council has authorized the reclamation of a further 24 acres of Crown foreshore and seabed in Hung Hom Bay for development purposes. The area to be reclaimed is situated to the east of the Technical College.

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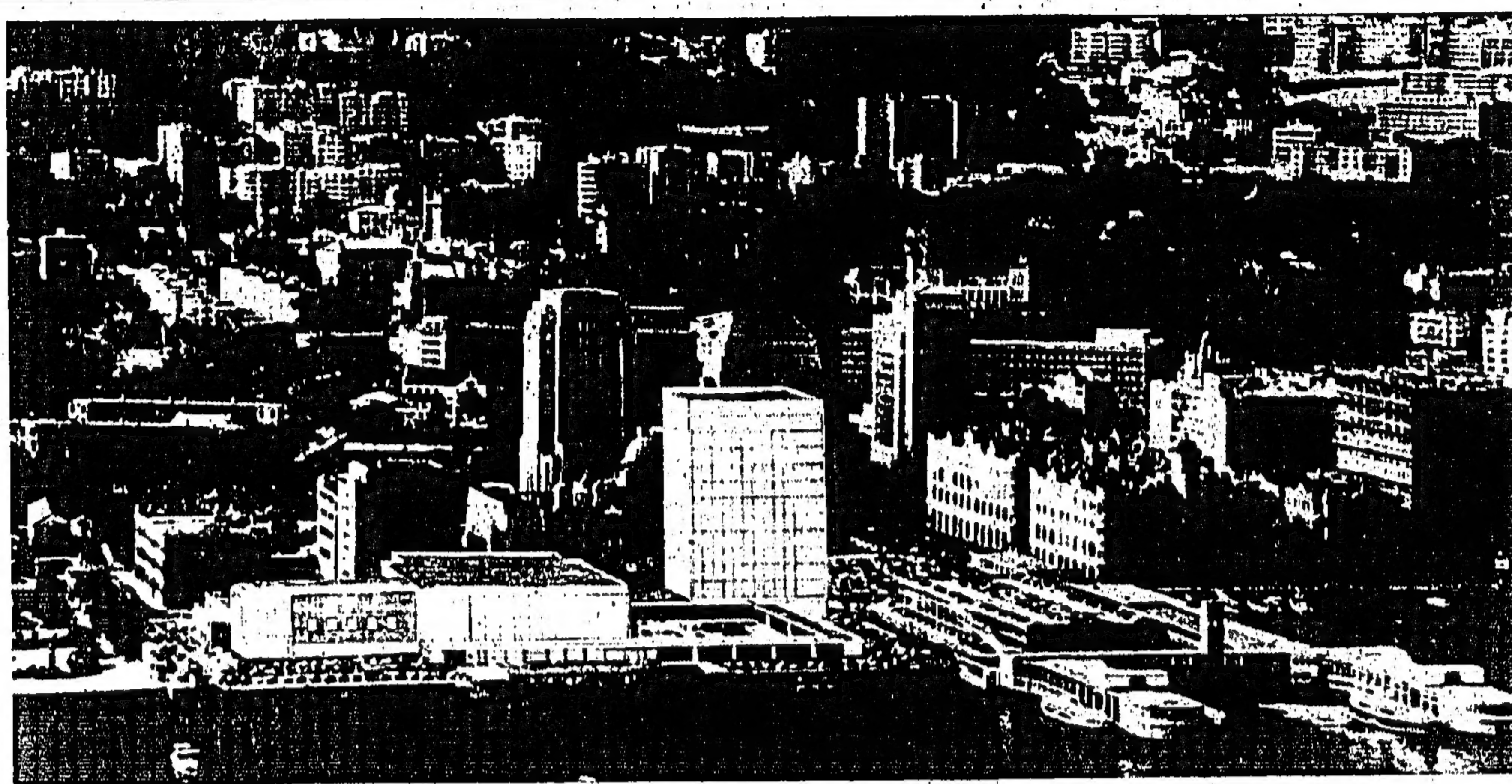
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GLIMPSE OF THE FUTURE

The China Mail gives you this glimpse of the future showing what the waterfront will be like when the new City Hall buildings are completed at the end of next year. — China Mail Photo.

Government appointments gazetted

The Government Gazette announced today the following appointments, promotions, transfers and postings:

Mr. T. D. Sorby to be Principal Assistant Colonial Secretary and Establishment Officer.
Mr. M. Morley-John to be Principal Crown Counsel on proceeding on leave; Mr. J. C. McRobert to act as Principal Crown Counsel.
Mr. Leung Fung-ki, Senior Education Officer, to act as Assistant Director of Education; Dr. A. D. Peggs, Education Officer, to act as Senior Education Officer.

Dr. M. J. Robertson to be a Pathologist; Dr. Richard Yu Yue-hong to be a Medical Officer; Dr. J. W. B. Palmer to be a Health Officer.
Mr. D. H. Taylor and Mr. A. Morrison, Superintendents of Police, to be Senior Superintendents of Police.

Mr. R. C. Symons to be Administrative Assistant, New Territories.
Miss E. M. Stewart to be Housing Manager, Hongkong Housing Authority; Mr. W. E. Collard to be Secretary Housing Authority.
Mr. J. V. G. Mitchell to be Secretary to the Urban Council, vice Mr. J. W. Ferris.

Pensionable
The Gazette added that confirmation of the following officers to the permanent and pensionable establishment has been approved:

Miss J. E. A. Ward and Miss M. P. Taylor, school mistresses; Mr. A. Magdallino, education officer; Dr. Wong Kwok-on and Dr. Yau Meng-chow, medical officers; Mr. Li Hin-wing, engineer; and Mr. G. C. Dovey, Architect.

Boy Scout chief

Mr. Stephen Wong, Deputy Colony Commissioner of the Boy Scouts Association, Hongkong Branch, has been appointed to act as Colony Commissioner during the absence on leave of Mr. J. W. Cockburn, the Government Gazette notified today.

St Joseph's College

The Rev. Brother Brendan J. Dunne has been appointed Director in Hongkong of St Joseph's College, the Government Gazette notified today.

Shipwrecked

Reference, Mr. Andrew Fleming, and his misfortune on his capsize catamaran. Typical Chinese aversiveness personified.

Dividing a bargain with a distressed seaman. East is East and West is West.
"MAINSAIL HAUL."
REPLIES
T.P.—Pointless.—Ed.

Addict jailed for injuring man who said 'No' to loan

A paint-scraper who wounded his brother-in-law during a quarrel, was sentenced to two months' jail by Central Magistrate Mr. Derek Cox this morning.

Poon Kong-sing, the defendant, pleaded guilty. A drug addict, he had been scolded by his brother-in-law when he visited him yesterday to ask for a small loan.

Campoli here

Mr. Alfredo Campoli, world-famous violinist, arrived in Hongkong late last night. He will give a concert on Sunday night.

Unofficial JP

Professor F. E. Stock has been appointed an Unofficial Justice of the Peace, the Government Gazette notified today.

Inland revenue

Mr. Fung Kam-chung has been appointed to be a Member of the Inland Revenue Board of Review, the Government Gazette notified today.

New consul

Mr. Ignacio Aguirre, Doña the been provisionally recognized as Consul for Cuba at Hongkong, the Government Gazette notified today.

Traffic committee

Mr. H. E. Turner has been appointed to be a Member of the Traffic Advisory Committee during the absence of Major I. G. F. Chauvin, the Government Gazette notified today.

Hongkong sitting on artesian lake?

By A China Mail Reporter

Hongkong could be on top of a big artesian lake, a New York economist and amateur geologist said on his departure today.

He is Mr. Henry Wellings who left the Colony this morning by P&O for Tokyo after a three day stop-over. "It's happened before. And from what I've seen that's Hongkong's biggest problem," Mr. Wellings said. "Although I didn't get time to make any concrete tests I have seen the same kind of topography and soil yielding artesian water before," he said. Mr. Wellings said that although he didn't speak to any geologists here he understood that there hadn't been any extensive testing of Hongkong, especially in the New Territories for artesian sources.

Well spent
"Whatever the result, the tests would be money well spent," he said. "Imagine it, after all this struggle for water it is found that there are vast quantities of artesian water."
"When I return to the States next month I will give a full report to the local geology society to which I belong and some advice may be able to be returned here on the question of artesian water."

Judge doubts 'voluntary' statements

Chiu Ngai-ming, 19, was released from custody by Judge W. F. Pickering at the Victorian District Court this morning.

The judge ruled that there was no proof of Chiu having taken part with three other men in a robbery of clothing and a camera on November 24 last, at 12 Third Street, Hongkong.

The judge also ruled that a signed statement made by Chiu Ngai-ming, and one made by Tse Kwong-chuen on the night of the crime were inadmissible as evidence, as there was doubt as to their having been given voluntarily.

Mr. Terence Shurlock, instructed by Peter Mo and Co., acted for the fourth accused, Chiu Ngai-ming, who was released.

Submissions without jury

The jury in a Criminal Sessions murder trial were dismissed until next Monday by Mr. Justice W. A. Blair-Kerr this morning, when defence counsel indicated that he would prefer the jury to be absent while he made submissions.

Before the court is Mok Mo, 32, who pleads not guilty to a charge of murdering a woman, Tse Ping, on November 24. The woman was found seriously injured on the Queen Elizabeth Hospital site at King's Park, Kowloon, and later died of her wounds.

Mr. Oswald Cheung, who is defending the accused, reserved his cross-examination of three prosecution witnesses who testified that Mok had made certain statements under caution at the time of his arrest and when he was charged with murder.

Mr. D. N. E. Rea and Mr. W. S. W. Wilson, Crown Counsel, are prosecuting, and Mr. Cheung is instructed by Mr. M. Wong of Messrs. Beckett.

Eight are naturalised

The Government Gazette notified today that the following have been granted certificates of naturalisation:

Miss Yeung Kwai-lau, nurse and midwife, 159 Queen's Road, Central, second floor.
Mr. John Hsiao Yel-yen, company shipping manager, 51 Granville Road, third floor.
Mr. Conway Wong Hong-kwok, interpreter, 22B Belcher Gardens, West Point.
Miss Olga Zarutskaya, dentist, Room 331 Repulse Bay Hotel.
Mr. Sidney Chang Jen-chieh, accountant, 12 Ching Wah Street, first floor.
Mr. Chan Kam-yuen, clerk, Flat 1109, 16 Tong Shui Road, North Point Estate.
Dr. Orr Wing-yam, doctor, Queen Mary Hospital.
Mr. Alex Wu Shu-chih, merchant, 21 Oxford Road.

Eighteen people were killed, 123 seriously and 50 slightly injured in 617 traffic accidents in January. Of the accidents, 240 occurred in Hongkong, 280 in Kowloon and 93 in the New Territories.

OVER 42,000 VEHICLES REGISTERED

Over 42,000 vehicles of all types were registered here at the end of last month.

According to statistics published in today's Government Gazette, the total includes 27,329 private cars, 2,872 motor cycles, 783 motor buses, 853 public rickshaws, nine trailers and four sedan chairs.

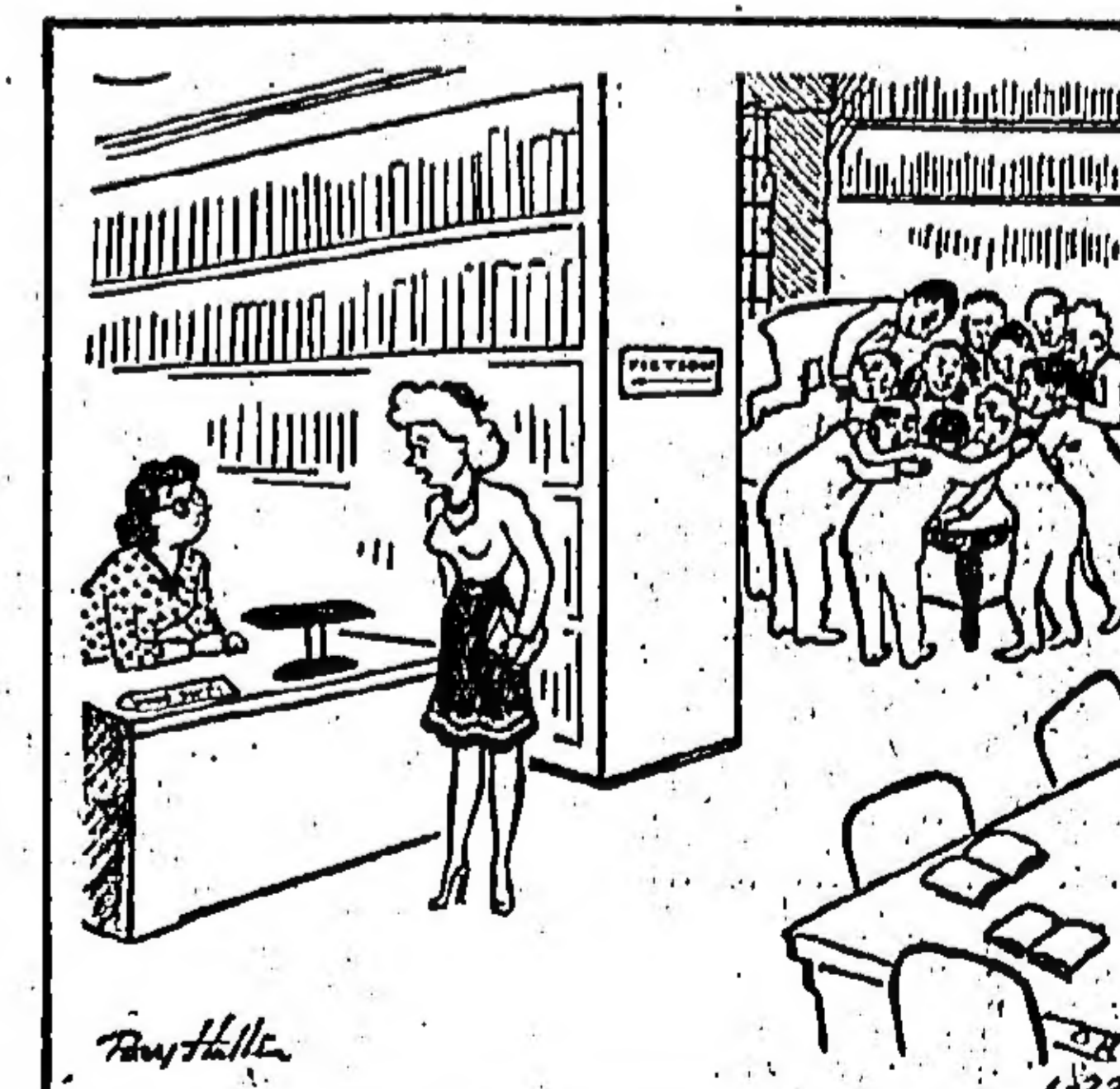
The number of licensed drivers of motor vehicles stood at 103,710—20 less than the total at the end of December, 1959.

A total of 1,347 provisional drivers were licensed and 1,384 driving tests authorised at the end of January.

January births

Births registered in January totalled 8,446, including 8,394 Chinese, and 52 non-Chinese.

This funny world



"Do you know if anyone has seen a diary? I returned it by mistake."

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